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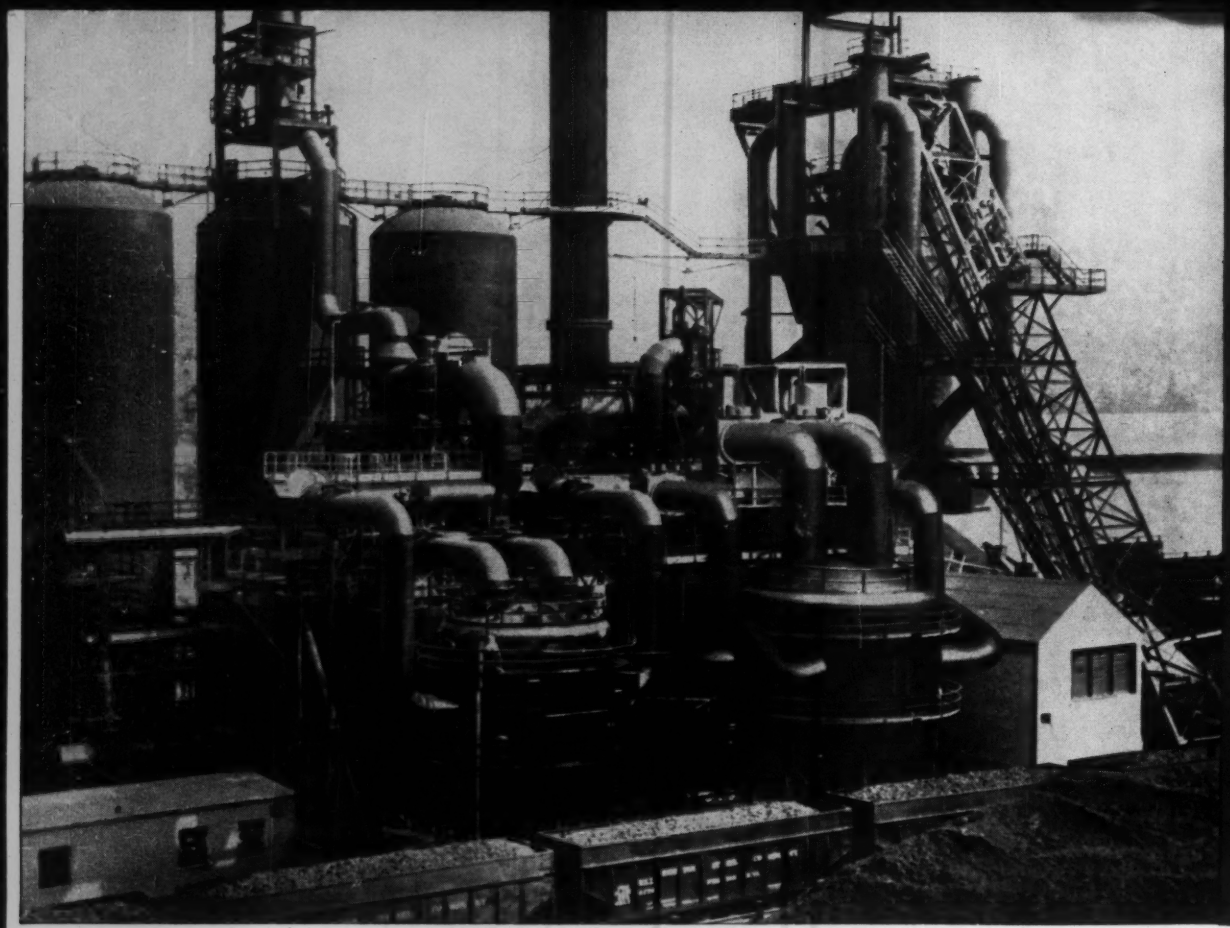

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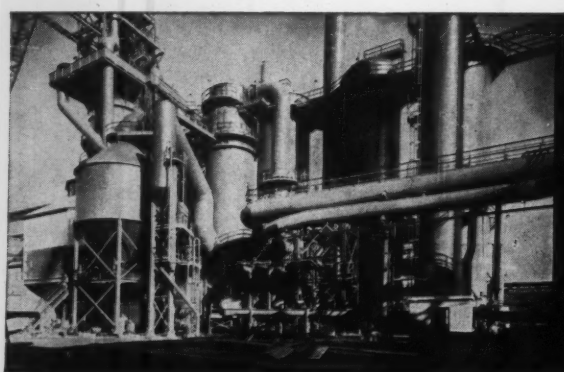

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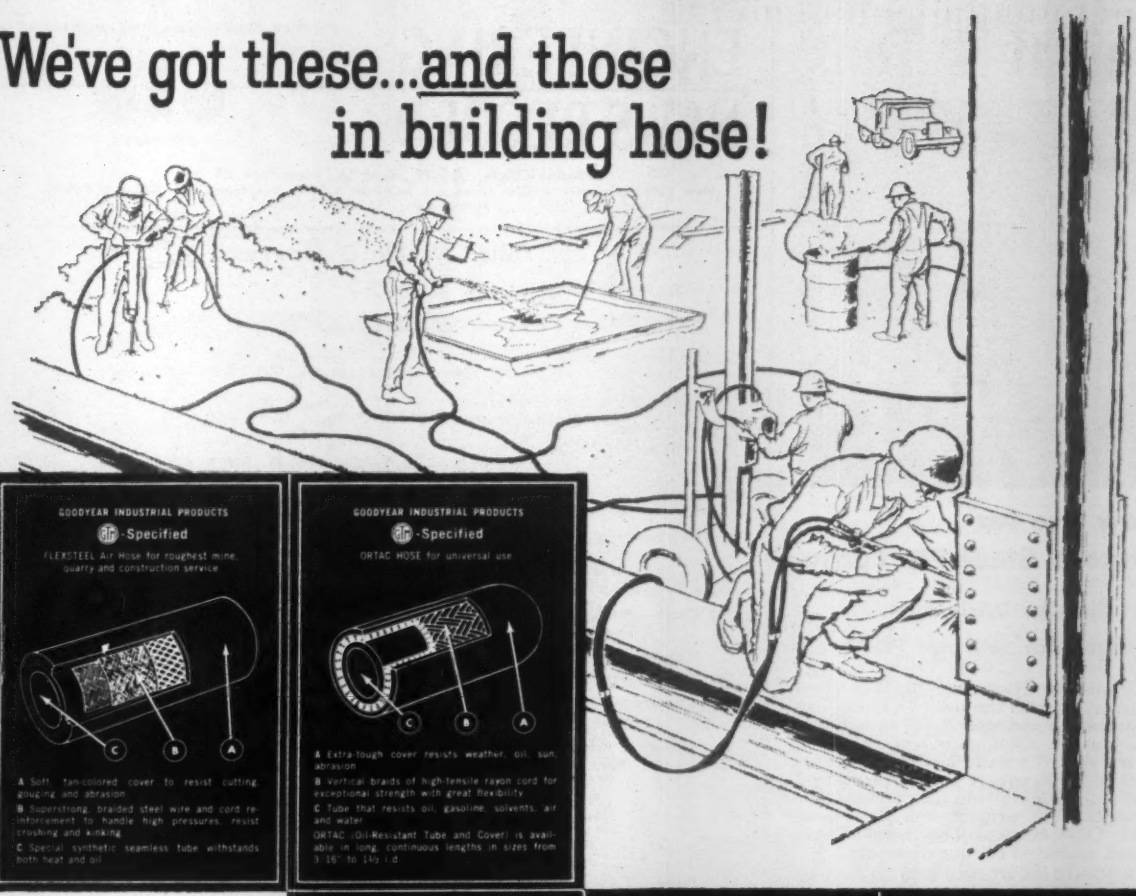

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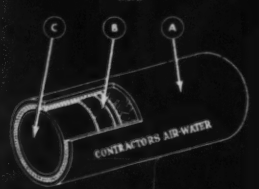

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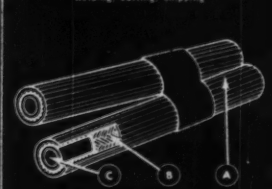

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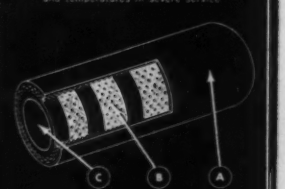

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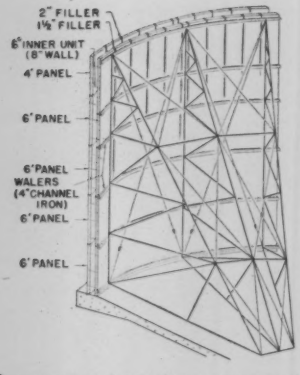

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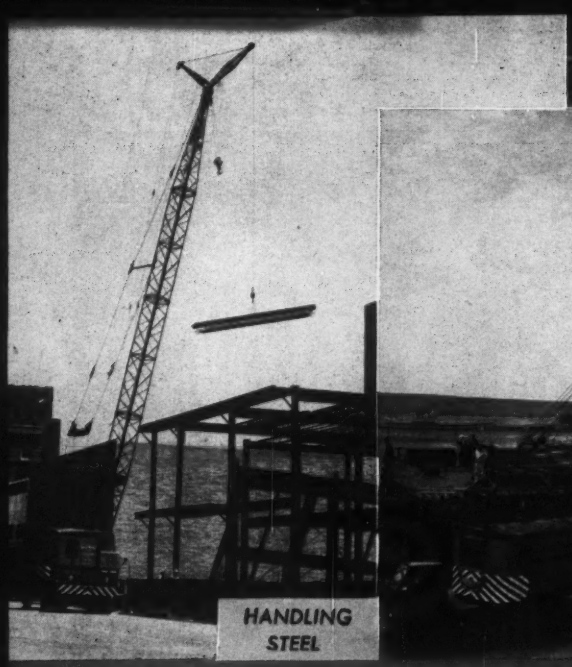

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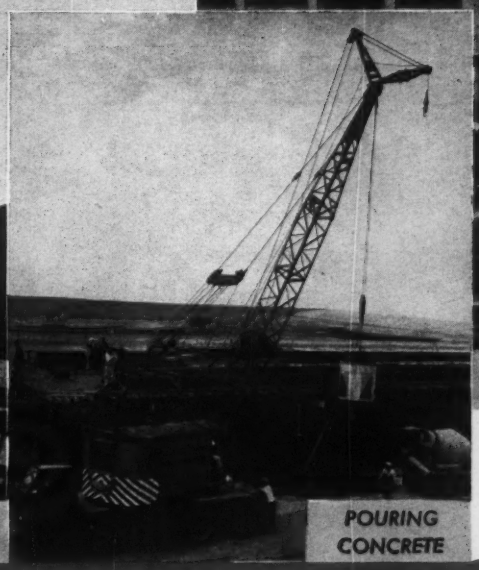

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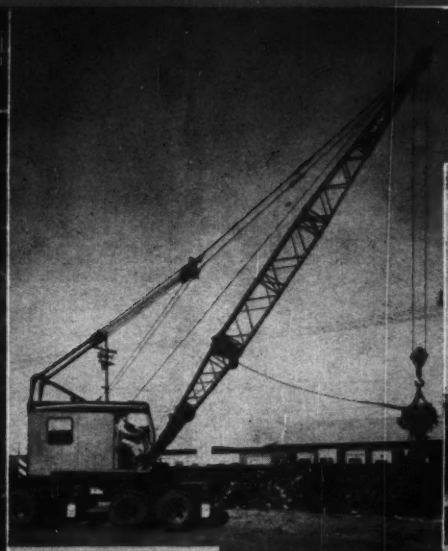

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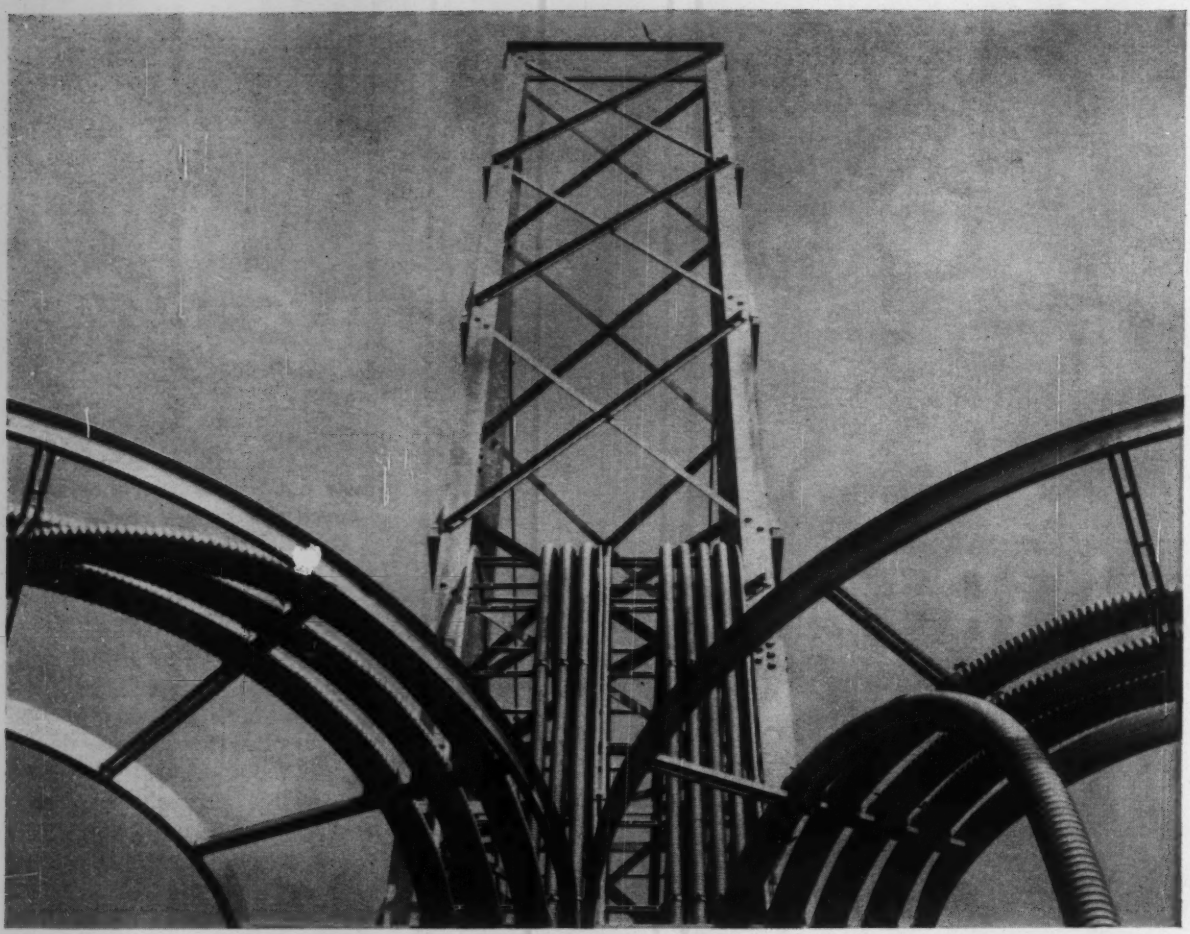

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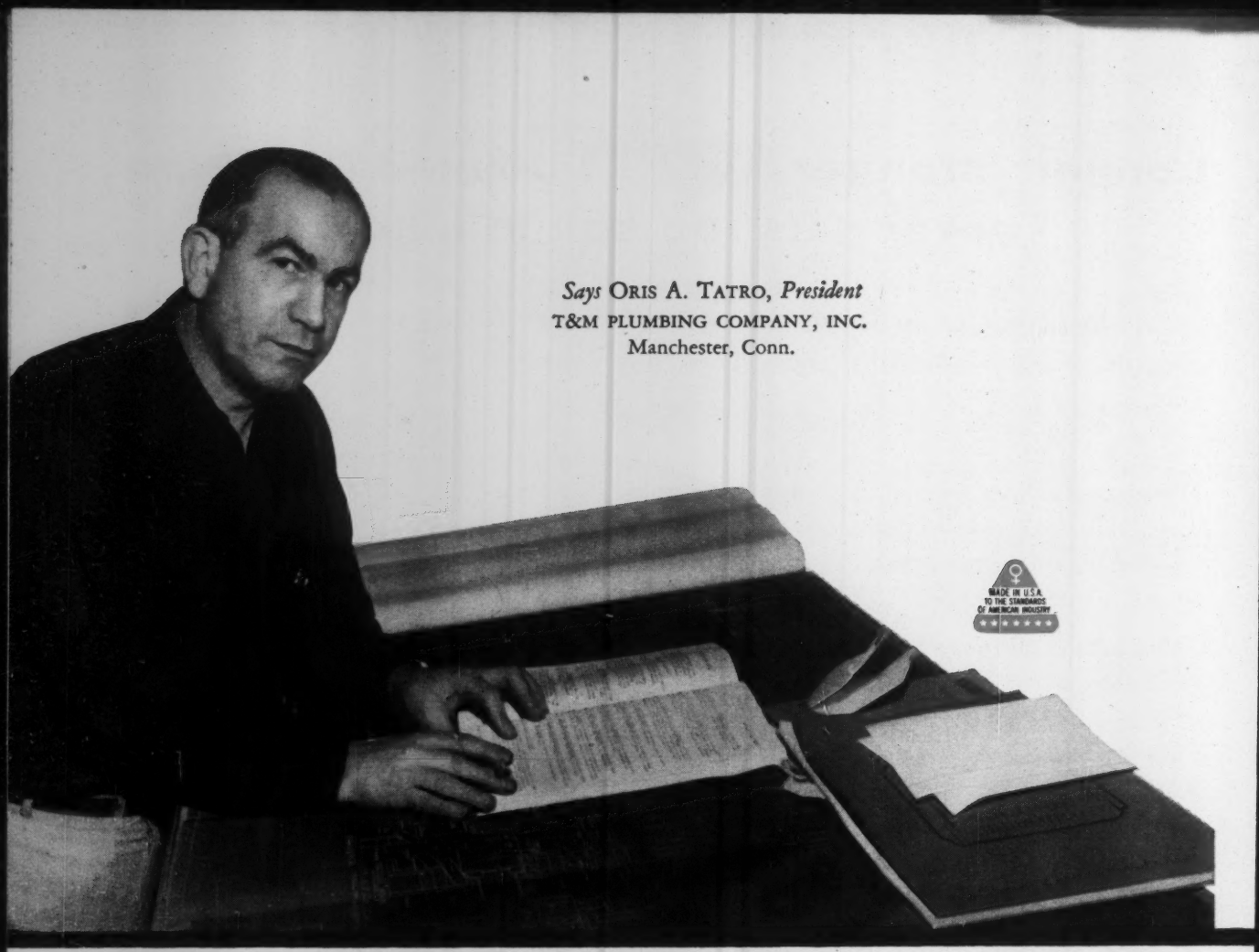

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Computers

SIR—Of the dozens of articles and reports on computers that I have read during the past five years, the one by Frederick S. Merritt in your Apr. 14 issue is the most comprehensive and easily read. I want to circulate it among the engineers in my department.

L. B. TRENHOLME
Superintendent of Engineering
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Texas City, Tex.

SIR—We would appreciate receiving reprints of your computer article in the Apr. 14 issue. This particular edition was most timely in stimulating interest in this area among structural engineers.

J. M. ENGLISH
Vice-Chairman, Research
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University of California
Los Angeles

SIR—As a reader of ENGINEERING RECORD since 1904 and ENGINEERING NEWS since 1905, I resent usurping valuable readers' space (for which we pay $6.00 a year) with a long article on computers in the Apr. 14 issue. Purchasing departments are available to dig up such stuff at the proper time. I'll wager not 0.2% of your readers (perhaps 200) are a bit interested in such an article; even with cartoons a la New Yorker.

CLINTON L. BOGERT
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SIR—For years I have received the ENGINEERING NEWS-RECORD. Your special report on computers is splendid. I should like several reprints for associates.

EDWARD R. PEARSON
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SIR—I enjoyed the article on computers and would like five or six reprints. Unless one is actually in the business of using computers, there is an aura of mystery connected with them. Your article gives a very clear picture of the over-all. This is a quick way to gain perspective. Many thanks.

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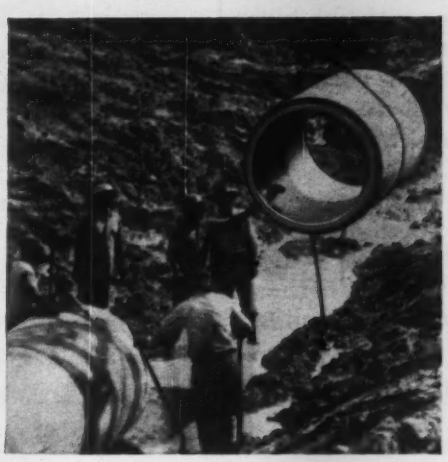

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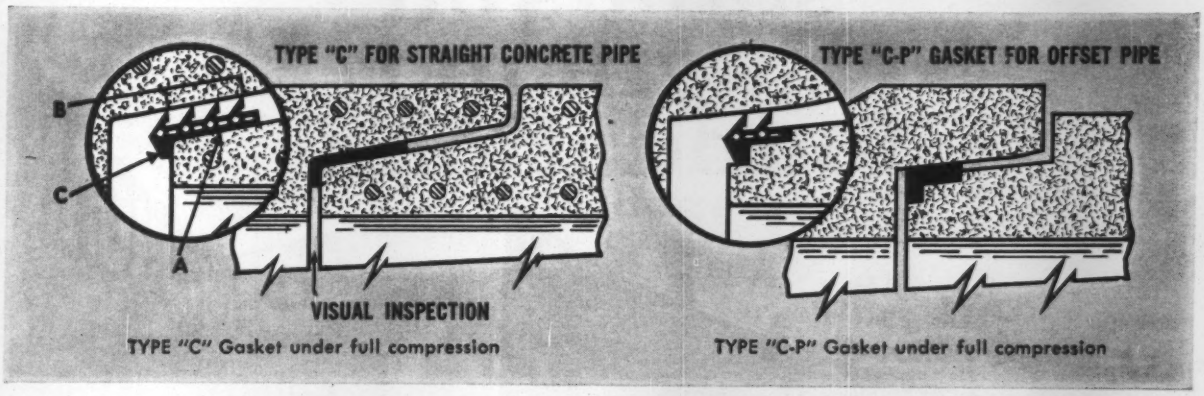

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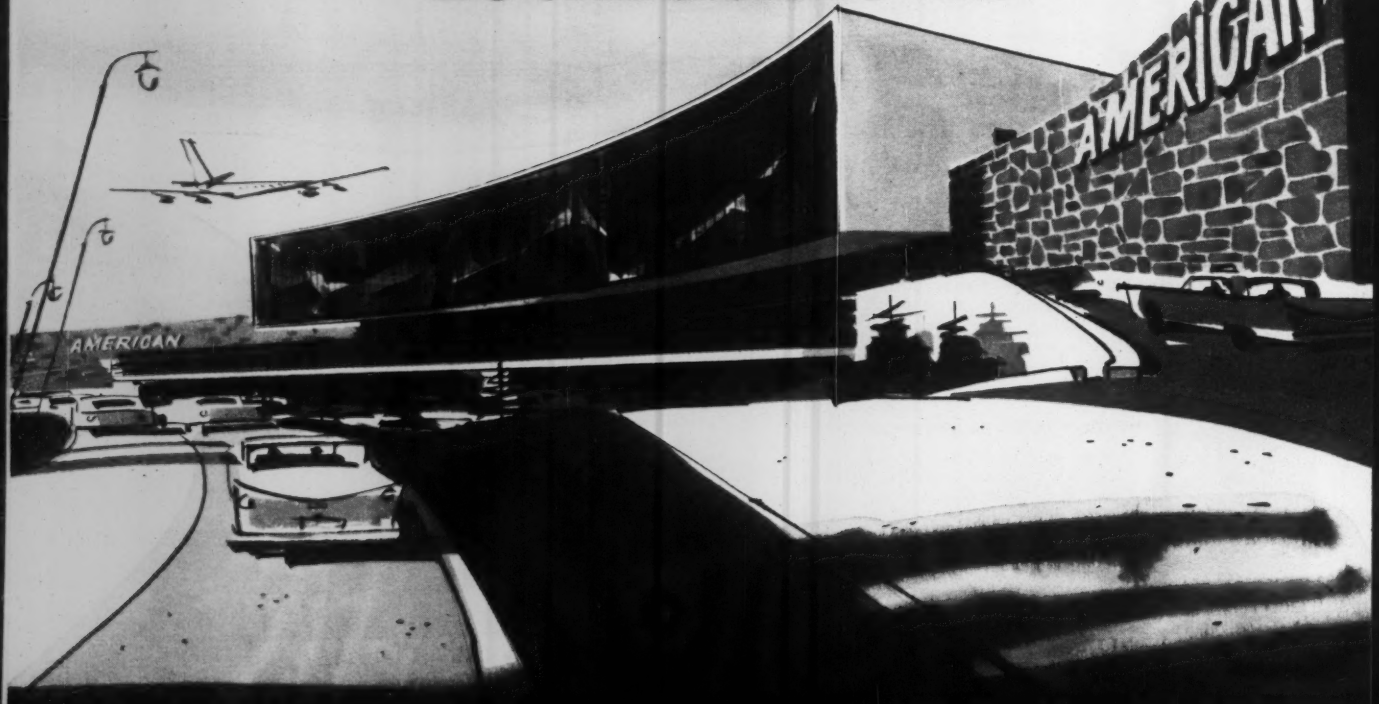

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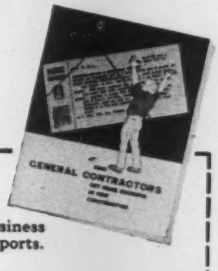

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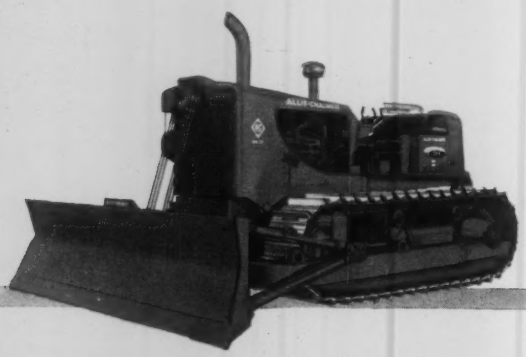

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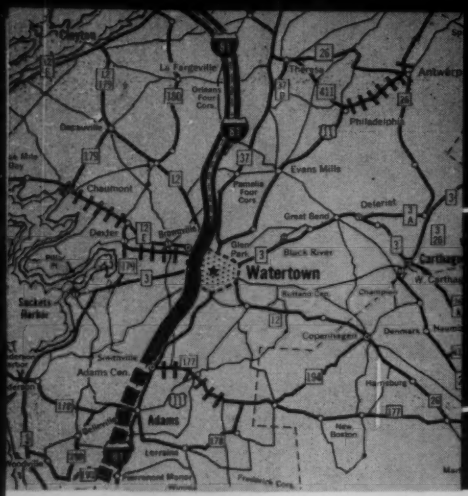
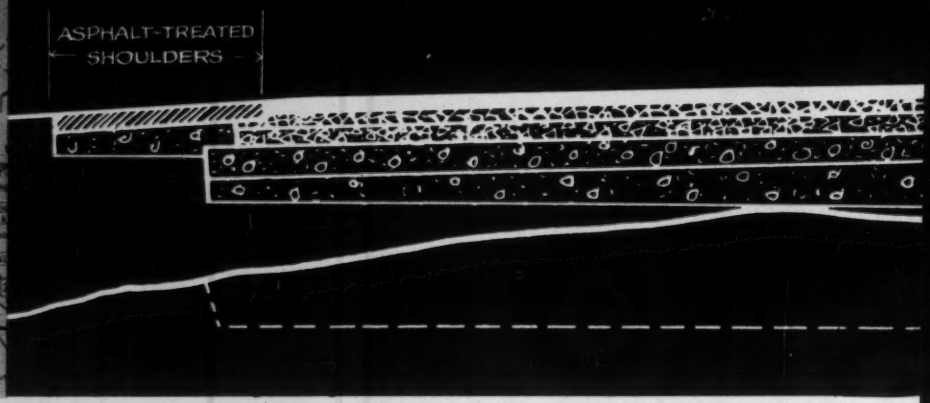


Map shows location of Interstate #81 in Watertown area.



Cross-section diagram shows composition of single 24-foot roadway on four-lane Interstate & Defense Highway #81. Note Asphalt-treated shoulders.

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Advanced Asphalt Pavement design, over prepared subbase, solves problems in area where frost depth goes to 48 inches

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The cross-section and diagram on this page show how DEEP STRENGTH Asphalt pavement design solved the problems. Notice how the precepts of new DEEP STRENGTH Asphalt design are carried out. They include Asphalt base, Asphalt-treated shoulders, depressed median for good drainage and flat slope embankments for better safety. Capillary moisture action and frost damage are prevented by building the road structure with selected materials.

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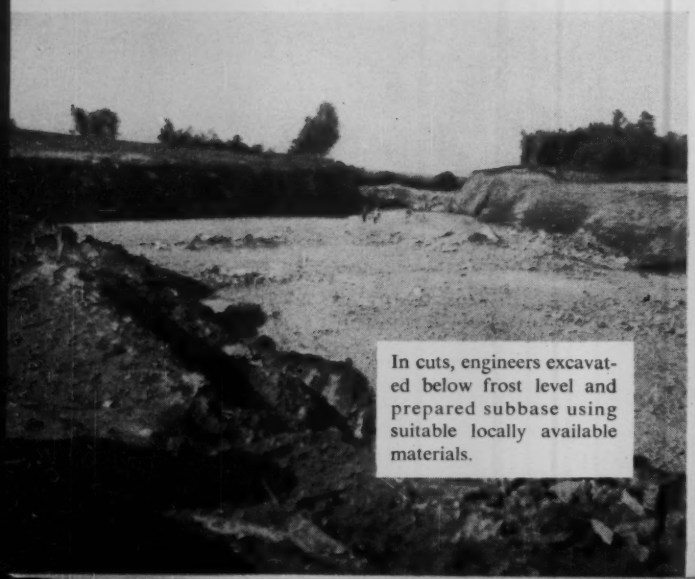
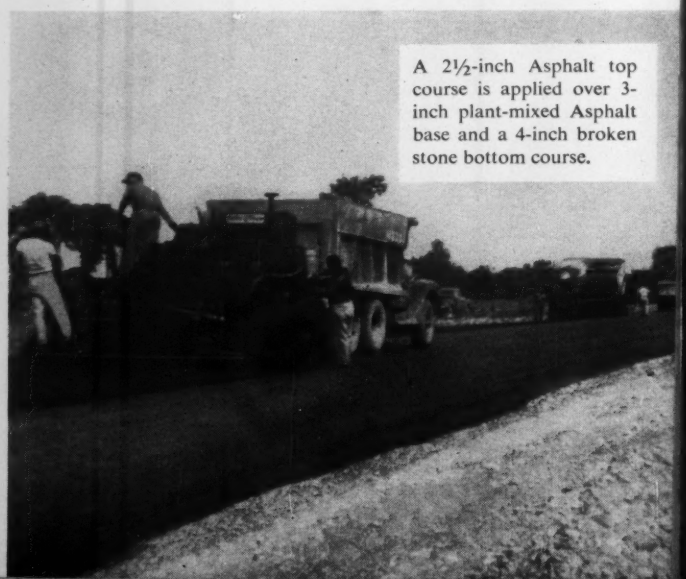


In cuts, engineers excavated below frost level and prepared subbase using suitable locally available materials.



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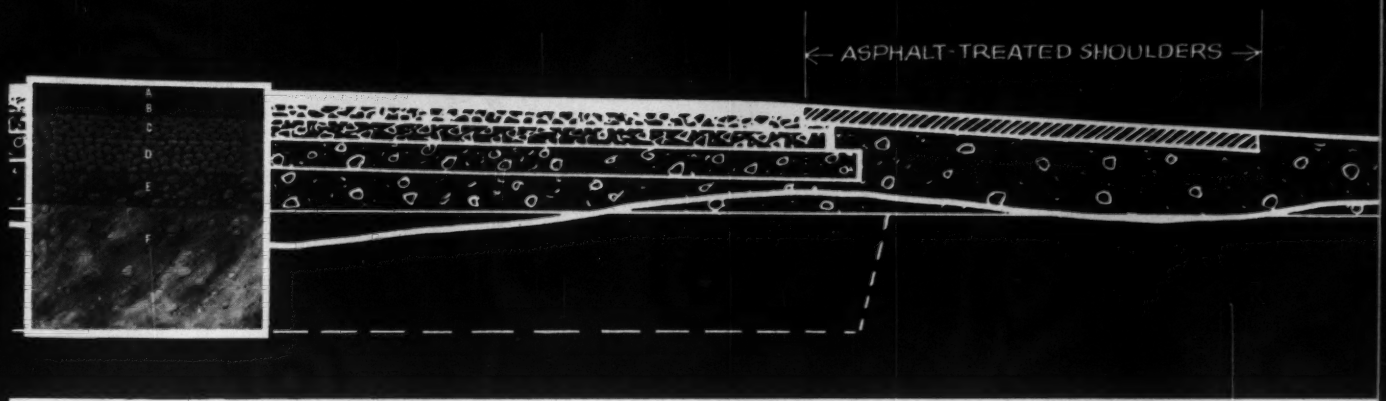

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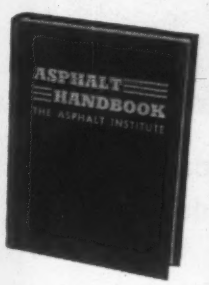

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C
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D
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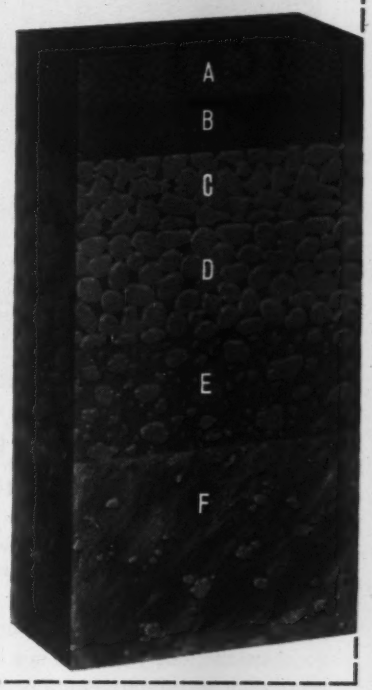
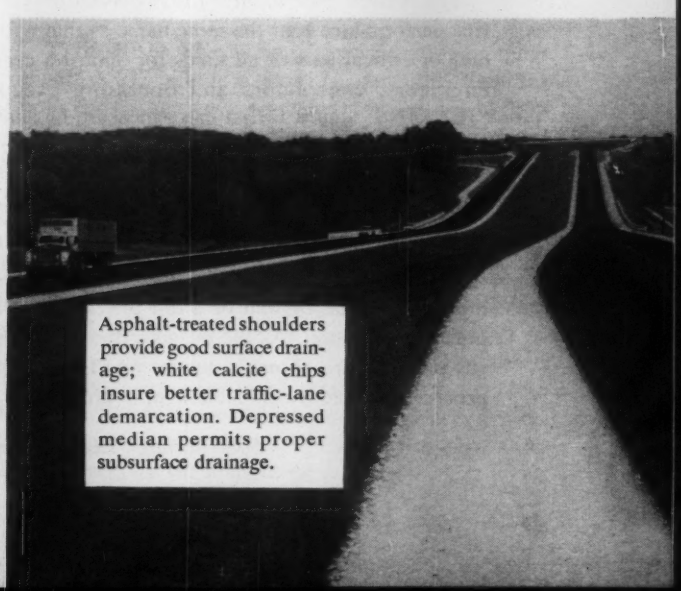
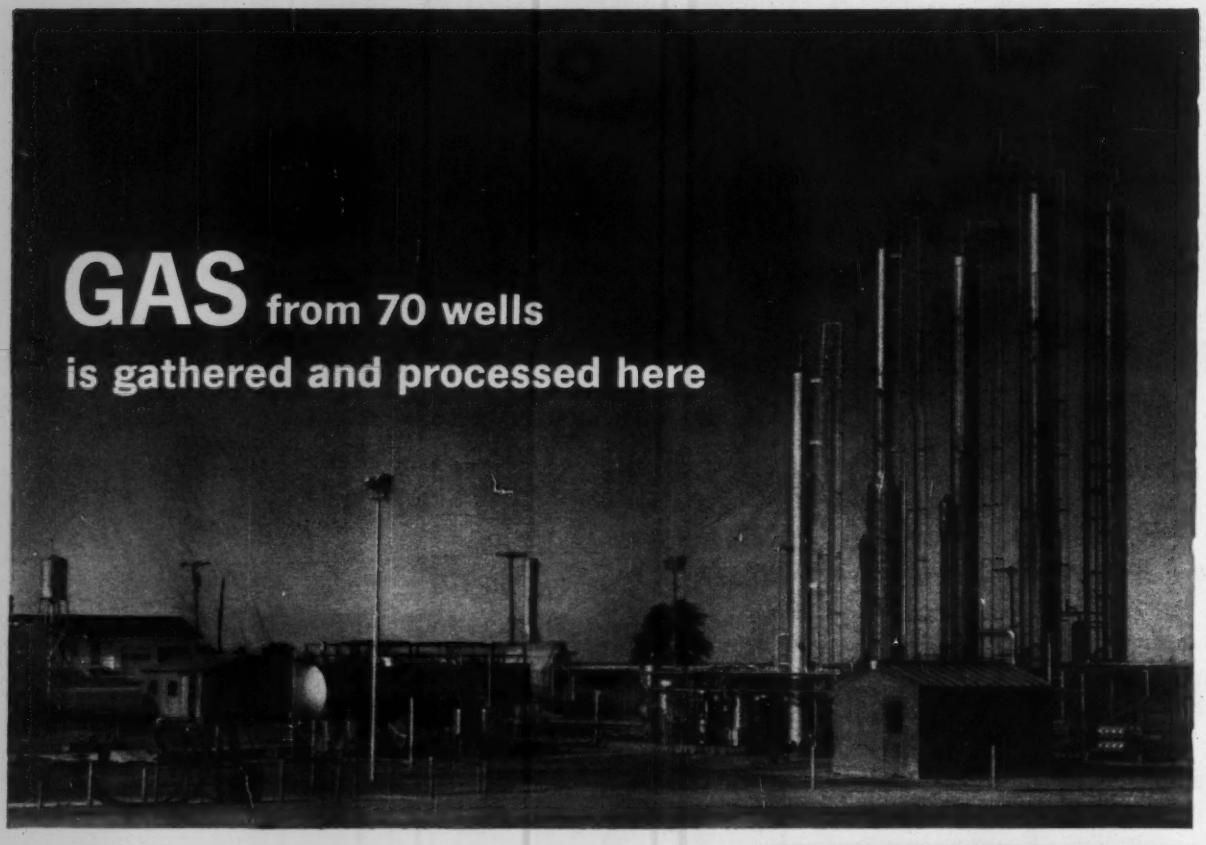
Excavated to 48 inches below pavement grade in cuts—locally available backfill material compacted with "super" compactor.



50-ton rubber tire "super" compactor used on all supporting courses to assure smoother riding under all traffic weights to come.



Asphalt-treated shoulders provide good surface drainage; white calcite chips insure better traffic-lane demarcation. Depressed median permits proper subsurface drainage.



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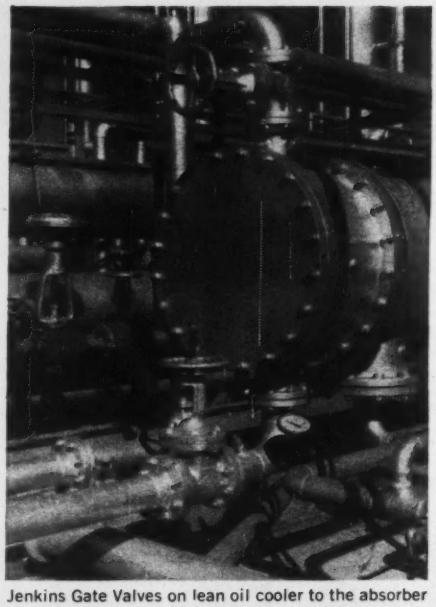
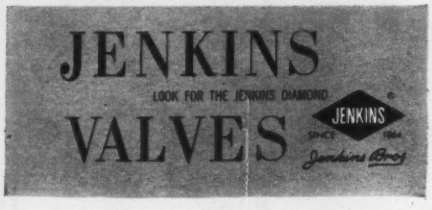


Jenkins Gate Valves on lean oil cooler to the absorber



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THE CONSTRUCTION WEEK

BEATING BLATNIK TO THE PUNCH?—The Georgia Highway Department has blown the whistle on one of its inspectors for failing to catch a defective paving job before the work was completed. The state attorney general immediately ruled that the prime contractor was financially liable, to the tune of some $48,000. (For more on Interstate probes, see p. 26.)

DAM GATE BLENDS WATER—Warm water from the top and cold water from the bottom will be mixed to a temperature fish like in the conservation releases from the Bureau of Reclamation's Whiskeytown Dam, to be built near Redding, Calif. Water from the top and bottom intakes, upstream from the dam, will flow out through a single control gate.

CHEAP AT TWICE THE PRICE—Production cost for machine-made precast concrete railway ties will be about $9 each, or about twice the selling price of wood ties. But the machine's developer, American Concrete Crosstie Corp. of Tampa, Fla. (ENR Mar. 10, p. 26), says the price differential is offset by these concrete advantages: Ties can be spaced farther apart; and they're more durable.

CURB YOUR CRANE—New York City authorities are campaigning against traffic-blocking street obstructions, principally utility excavations and building erection cranes that occupy more than the permissible 10 ft from the curb. To set an example the city will cover all of its own street openings when workmen are not on the job.

BAD FORM, YOU KNOW—London's Piccadilly Circus will not look like Times Square after all. Plans for a 13-story building with a convex front for large advertising signs have been rejected by the British government, which suggests that a plane-surfaced building with more modest advertising space would be less offensive to public taste.

SINK THE RED SEA?—An Egyptian oceanographer proposes a $15-billion scheme to dam the Red Sea at both ends. After two years, evaporation would drop sea level about 24 ft. Indian Ocean water, metered to equal the Red Sea's estimated 1.5 million cfs evaporation rate, would then be admitted through power turbines with a capacity of 50 million kw.

AT LEAST THEY DIDN'T FIGHT—Unlike the recent Big Four meeting, the long awaited summit talk between labor and management closed on a note of complete agreement. After three hours of discussion the National Association of Manufacturers and the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations announced their unanimous decision to recess for six to eight weeks.

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HOW TO HANDLE WET JOBS

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- **Public works money coming**
- **Snail's pace for Snake project**
- **U. S. road funds: Still waiting**

● **Congress is pushing through the big public works appropriations bill.** The House of Representatives has okayed $1.4 billion for projects of the Corps of Engineers, Reclamation Bureau and others. The Senate is expected to hew closely to that figure.

The House bill carries funds for 39 new projects—33 for the Corps of Engineers, six for the Bureau of Reclamation. Also included are loan funds for five new irrigation district projects.

Total cost to complete the new starts will be more than $500 million.

The House Appropriations Committee cut budget requests for public works construction activities by $77 million. Most of that reduction is based on the committee's conjecture that it can guess better about delays in spending than the Administration. Some $75 million of the cut is the committee's estimate of "slippages," that is, the difference between what is allocated and what is spent. The Administration estimates such slippages at $40 million for the Corps of Engineers and $10 million for the Bureau of Reclamation

President Eisenhower asked for 42 new starts in his January budget. The committee approved 38 of them and added a small one of its own. Biggest construction start deferred was the $60-million Milford Dam and reservoir in Kansas. The committee allowed money to complete engineering of the project but declined construction funds.

Reclamation's six new construction projects, costing $185 million, got starting funds in the bill. The committee trimmed $220,000 from a $445,000 advance planning request for the mammoth Garrison District project in the Dakotas.

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● **There's a new delay on hearings to determine how and where to build a high hydro-power dam on the Snake River.** Two conflicting applications are being pressed before the Federal Power Commission—but hearings now have been postponed until October.

Competing projects are the High Mountain Sheep Dam, proposed by the Pacific Northwest Power Co., which would cost an estimated $178 million, and the Nez Perce Dam, proposed by the Washington Public Power Supply System at a cost of $276.5 million.

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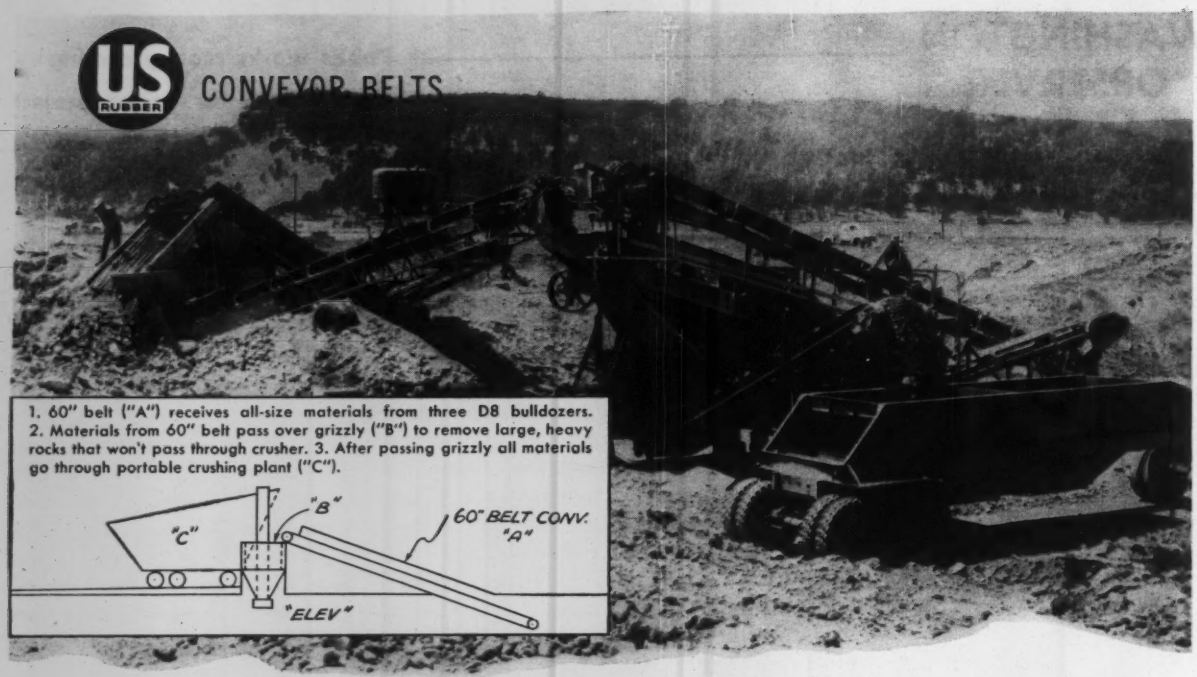
● **The Bureau of Public Roads still isn't ready to tell the states how much federal funds they will have for the year beginning July 1.** The unofficial estimate is that some $2.9 billion will be parceled out, compared with $2.7 billion for the current year.

States will be given their new contract-letting authority for fiscal 1961 to be obligated equally in each of the four quarters compared to this year's schedule specifying varying percentages per quarter. States will be allowed to carry forward to the new year any unused obligational authority, too.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The superiority of this belt not only helped speed up and increase production, but also eliminated the need for three or four men to laboriously remove large rocks that would damage a belt of inferior quality. The "U. S." Belt proved so efficient in tons moved per hour that another bulldozer was added to keep the loading pit stocked with raw materials. "The belt will pay for itself on this one job. We recommend it to anyone," says Bruce Lien.

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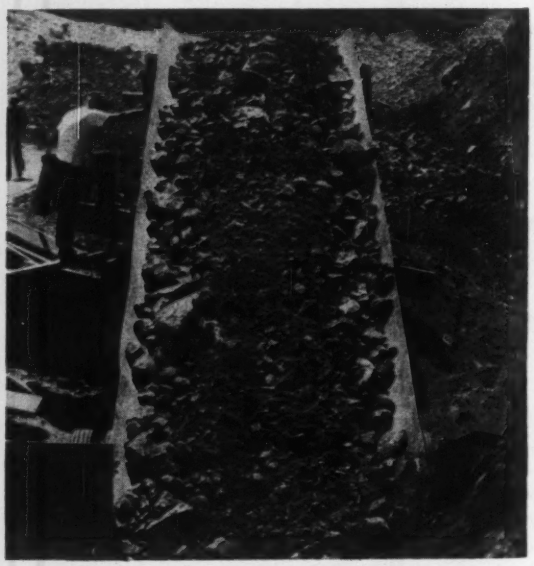

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...DALLAS--"WE HAVE 20PC MORE WORK THIS YEAR THAN WE DID LAST YEAR."

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...DETROIT--"WE HAVE QUITE A FEW PROJECTS LINED UP FOR THE NEXT SIX MONTHS. BUSINESS LOOKS BETTER."

For Consultants: How's Business?

Construction is booming. Proposed work has jumped and contract awards will not be far behind. Viewed in dollar volume of either backlog or work going to contract, the picture is bright.

But how are consulting engineers doing? Are they riding the swells in work to be designed and supervised? Are they hiring or firing? How do they see '60?

To get the answers to these questions, ENR surveyed 60 of the largest employers among consulting firms last week. Their answers indicate:

- Consulting firms generally do not have as many employees now as they had one or two years ago.
- Firms specializing in commercial and industrial building design are riding the crest of the construction wave. Many have record employment and peak workloads. But there are exceptions, particularly in the 11 western states, where industrial work had dropped off in the first three months of '60.
- Sanitary, hydraulic and foundation consultants are also doing well. But waterworks consultants contacted are struggling to keep work loads up to last year's level.
- Highway consultants—once the big-timers—are in a bad slump, with no relief in sight.
- Consulting firms in New York, Dallas, Houston and Los Angeles generally are prospering. Those in San Francisco and Boston are not.

Of the firms contacted, 42% report an increase in business as compared to a year ago.

Industrial building, particularly, is on the move. Fully recovered from the effects of the steel strike, industrial building plans are now back on the upswing that began early last year. ENR's latest construction estimates substantiate this: In the first half of May alone, more than $436 million for industrial building projects moved into the planning stage. That's double the whole of April, and tops every month since December, 1958.

Will industrial design work taper off towards the end of this year? That's the big question in consulting offices. Most think the answer is "no." But if industrial work does fall off, consultants expect an upturn in public works and continued commercial building to sustain activity.

Highway consultants on the other hand will tell you in no uncertain terms how bad business is. They blame their doldrums on the state highway departments, and on Bureau of Public Roads policy as to the role of consultants in Interstate work.

"State highway departments are trying to build up their own empires," said one New York City engineer. "They're undertaking detailed design projects all on their own; they hire for peak loads instead of for the average, and so build up mammoth staffs. They've taken over the work that we used to do."

Even when the highway departments give out work, consultants are not entirely pleased.

"The trouble with the Interstate program is that there are too many agencies involved. When you ask a question, you don't know how long it will be until you get an answer," explained a mid-western consultant.

"All we do lately is wait, wait, wait.

It's like walking around with weights on your feet," complained another.

One large New York consulting firm charges that state agencies tend to favor consultants within their states for political reasons. This sometimes means dividing one job up inefficiently among 10 small local firms, rather than giving it to a less expensive out-of-state firm.

Almost every highway firm surveyed reports business volume and employment down from last year. And they do not anticipate that the last half of 1960 will be any brighter. Several now are attempting to branch out into other areas of engineering.

A sharp letdown in proposed waterworks early this year (21% down from 1959) brought slack to some consultants. But the outlook for the second half of '60 is more promising (see p. 24).

Certain local conditions also have put private engineering firms beyond the pale of the expansion boom.

Some Boston firms are particularly vocal about their difficulties. Their problems are two-fold. They have been working on a series of big-time projects —the Niagara and St. Lawrence projects, Nike bases, overseas defenses—which now have started to dry up. To add to their woes, they say, the state government has consistently gone out of the state to make awards on big projects.

Some Boston firms are now looking more actively for out-of-state projects, and exploring the possibility of opening offices elsewhere. Employment layoffs may be in the offing.

Generally, job opportunities with consulting firms are not nearly as bright as they had been in the recent past.

"In the latter part of the '50s job opportunities were considerably better than now," says a St. Louis consultant.

Similar reports came from many other consultants. Nowhere is there a clamoring for engineers. June graduates will have to scratch for a job with consultants. Indeed, fewer than half the firms surveyed plan to hire any graduates at all. Others are thinking of taking only two or three.

Some firms are even dropping young engineers hired during the staff expansions of the '50s. "Things have been a little quiet during the past five months and we have used this time to clean out some dead wood, men who were not pulling their load," said one consultant who recently discharged 35 men.

Although most of those surveyed expect an upturn in business in the

Backfill will cover these Titan facilities at Lowry AFB, Colo.

It's Dig We

As the summit conference crumbled under the onslaught of Russian rocket rattling last week, 300 military engineers were listening carefully to a symposium on protective construction in Washington, D. C.

The crowded meeting of the Society of American Military Engineers heard a recommendation that engineers experienced in base hardening be brought into the early stages of studies for new weapons systems.

And, while elsewhere diplomats were speculating on the future of atom test-ban negotiations in Geneva, the military engineers heard that there was no substitute for multi-kiloton and megaton tests of protective construction. So said Eric H. Wang, chief of the Structure Division in the research group at Kirkland AFB, N. M., in a paper read by Maj. Robert A. Harris, his chief deputy. Extrapolation of small-scale laboratory tests produces apparently satisfactory information for some effects, Mr. Wang explained, but realistic determination of structural behavior under multi-megaton explosions is impossible during the test moratorium.

The Wang message stressed that he is not pleading for lifting the present moratorium on above-ground nuclear explosions. His purpose was solely to let the scientific community know that both military and civil defense construction must limp along with partial, unproved design information until an atomic warhead hits a hardened base. Until this happens designers will have to use higher safety factors and build at greater costs than would otherwise be necessary.

Early entry of expert base-hardening engineers into preliminary studies of

second half of this year, few plan to employ any more engineers. Many firms are now operating at between 50 and 90% of capacity. They could easily take on more work without a bigger staff. Even those firms who claim to be working at 100% capacity say that if they got any new contracts they would prefer to put their current staff on overtime rather than take on more men.

Certain structural designers are an exception. Their peak workloads have them looking for more employees.

Has the computer caused a drop in employment or affected business? No, say the consultants. In some instances it even may have brought more business and employment to a firm.

"The computer enables us to take on jobs that we probably would have had to turn down before," said a major bridge consultant.

"The electronic computer has not made it possible for us to do more work with fewer engineers as yet, but it has helped us to turn out work faster," commented a Dallas engineer.

Said one consulting engineer, who used computers extensively for highway work: "The computer reduces time-consuming, tedious work, but it does not replace engineers. It has displaced the 'computer man,' however — the man who never did much drafting or engineering, but was very good in handling geometry and mathematical problems. Despite the ads, we do not feel that the computer is an electronic brain—it is a clever device to do mathematics."

How do consultants view the business picture for the next six months? Except among highway consultants the outlook is optimistic, though tempered with caution. "Business looks favorable for the next six months, but we don't expect a boom," said a Detroit engineer.

"Clients are optimistic about the future. We have some signed contracts with clients who have been holding off for various reasons, but should come through within the next six months," said a Florida consultant.

"Business at present is at the same level as a year ago," said a Pittsburgh consultant, "but there is one very important difference: A year ago at this time, the firm was on a downtrend. Now business is shaping up to be much better in the next six months, the trend is definitely up."

Must to Protect Missile Bases

new weapons systems was strongly recommended by Jack O'Sullivan of the Mitre Corp. Ordinarily, experts on protective construction don't get into the program until system design is virtually complete and hardened installation is ordered, Mr. O'Sullivan said. By that time, defense urgency prevents modifications.

Not all defense construction needs hardening. The $500-million BMEWS radar base at Thule, Greenland, which will be scanning Russian skies 24 hours a day within the next few months, has no need for protective construction. An attack there would instantaneously alert our retaliatory force.

(Vincent Smith of ENR's Washington staff, who was in Thule last week, quotes Gen. Thomas S. Power, chief of the Strategic Air Command, as saying that all he wants of BMEWS is to let him know he is still alive. A blast at Thule would give the Strategic Air Command more than the minimum 15 minutes required to get our bombers and supplemental airborne command posts off the ground.)

Thule's powerful radio-frequency beams project two fan-shaped layers over practically the entire Communist land mass. Flanking BMEWS stations, at Clear, Alaska and Flyingdales Moor in England, complete the radar screen against missile attack.

These two installations were ordered speeded up last week to advance the previously set operation dates, summer of '61 for Alaska and '63 for the installation in England.

"Hardening is just an economical means of achieving dispersal," said Brig. Gen. Harold K. Kelley, deputy director for construction of the Air Force civil engineers. Against a five-mile weapon, he said, dispersal of some 20 miles is required to force an attacker to use separate missiles. Hardened to resist 100 psi overpressure, however, the same facilities need be only about three miles apart. In 10 years, he noted, our base-hardening level has risen from 10 psi to 25 psi and now 100 psi. In the near future several hundred psi may be required.

Spacing facilities at closer intervals often saves more in access roads, communications and the like than it costs to harden the complex, other panelists pointed out. But balancing of dollars against results rules the decision still to be made on aircraft shelters, for example. ICBM bases, of course, are hardened without question. Protection for these sites is worth almost any expense, but costs at missile bases are being pared by improved design both of the weapons themselves and of the ground support facilities.

Advent of the all-inertial guidance system has made it possible to design and build fully hardened bases for both the more advanced Titan missile and the older Atlas, with the weapons stored and fueled in vertical position in underground silos.

The 3x3 (three-squadron) Titan installation at Lowry AFB, Colo., stores and fuels vertical missiles in subsurface silos. But the weapons, though fueled underground, still have to be raised to ground level for firing.

Base designers, of course, are waiting for a missile that will contain its own propellants and take off from inside the silo. The upcoming solid-fueled Minuteman missile will possess these capabilities.

Hardened shelters for airplanes are still an unresolved problem. Protective construction even for small-wingspan interceptors will cost plenty, Milton R. Johnson, leader of the weapons effects group, American Machine and Foundry Co., told the engineers. Defense policy makers have not yet decided whether to buy aircraft hardening or spend the same money for weapons and facilities that might add more power to U.S. arms.

New Roles Set for U. S. Underground Facilities

The Defense Department is spending $5 million to remodel two underground installations originally built during World War II in Hawaii.

One project is a $3-million renovation of the gigantic Red Hill diesel and fuel oil storage vaults near Pearl Harbor (ENR Dec. 27, 1945, p. 61). This $42-million job was one of the engineering marvels of the war. Twenty giant concrete tanks, with 100-ft-dia cylindrical shafts and hemispherical ends measuring 250 ft end-to-end, were cast underground in rock.

The current project involves preparing four of these tanks for storage of aviation fuel, adding seven miles of additional pipeline, and building a tunnel and an elevator shaft.

The other project will convert a $25-million underground structure, called "The Hole," into a combat headquarters. Built during World War II to house an aircraft factory that was never assembled, the three-level structure will be linked with elevators and fortified from bacteriological and chemical attack.

Experts See Heavy Spending Ahead

If necessity is a gage, water supply construction in the U. S. is due for a 20-year boom. Knowledgeable voices spelled out the needs at the American Water Works Association's convention in Miami Beach last week, and ENR's construction figures and forecasts show the steep climb already has begun (see below).

"The total annual construction job facing [the water supply] industry reaches the sum of $1.155 billion," concluded Raymond J. Faust, AWWA's executive secretary. His figure, synthesized from a number of sources, would cover current water system deficiencies, anticipated population increases and the cost of improving water quality.

A huge construction program on river control and storage projects was anticipated by Theodore M. Schad, staff director of the Senate Select Committee on National Water Resources. Disclaiming authority to anticipate committee actions, but speaking from familiarity, as staff chief, with the evidence gathered by the committee, he predicted that the U. S. will need dams and reservoirs to virtually complete the control of river flows, a condition experienced only in the more arid regions of the West heretofore.

The biggest single item in Mr. Faust's prediction of costs is new service. Average population growth will total 3.9 million a year between now and 1980, he said. Figuring from an estimate by Louis Howson, Chicago consulting engineer, that it takes $250,000 capital investment at 1959 prices to add service for each 1,000 new consumers, Mr. Faust believes population increases will require an outlay of $810 million a year from now until 1980. The total 20-year expenditure for this item would be something over $16 billion.

The second biggest item on Mr. Faust's list is $250 million a year to correct water-system deficiencies. He reviewed a 1955 survey by the U. S. Public Health Service showing that of water systems serving communities of 25,000 and more in the U. S., one out of five was deficient in supply, two out of five in transmission capacity, one out of three in pumping capacity, two out of five in treatment capacity, 29% in ground storage capacity, 43% in elevated storage capacity and 57% in distribution facilities.

Lack of progress in eliminating the deficiencies might be indicated, Mr. Faust said, by results of a recently completed study by Kenneth Carl, of the National Board of Fire Underwriters. Of 89 cities previously surveyed by NBFU on the basis of adequacy for consumption and fire flow under normal conditions and reliability for consumption and fire flow under certain emergency conditions, 47% have improved 12% have held their own, and 41% have retrogressed, the resurvey shows.

The cost of eliminating the deficiencies was estimated at $5 billion by Walter Picton, of the Commerce Department's Bureau of Business and Defense Services. Spread over 20 years, the annual cost would be $250 million, Mr. Faust pointed out, with the industry still retrogressing in its ability to meet needs.

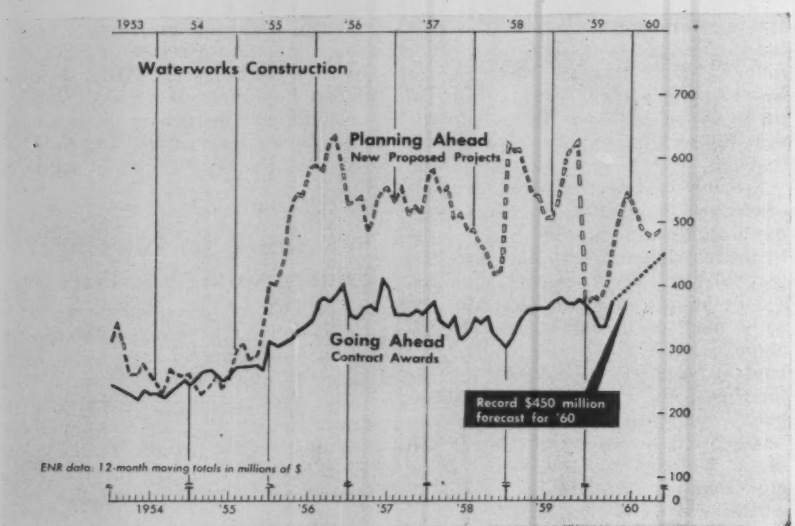
Mr. Faust's third item, quality improvement, can be counted a byproduct of past progress. The prime objective in the past, he recalled, has been "for good reason" safe water. U. S. Public Health Service Drinking Water Standards, first promulgated in 1916, then revised in 1925, 1942 and 1946, and now possibly to be revised again, have had one aim—public health. You couldn't talk of lesser values when people were sickening and dying from bad water, he pointed out.

But now that a traveler can go from coast to coast and use public water supplies confidently, we can and should tackle other things—turbidity, for example. The PHS standard tolerance of up to 10 ppm of turbidity might be safe, he said, but it can't be considered quality.

While "quality" has not been defined, Mr. Faust conceded, water with 1.0, 0.5 or even 0.2 ppm of turbidity, as produced by well run filter plants, might be approaching quality, he said.

He suggested also that distribution systems might be kept a lot cleaner than many of them are now if test samples were taken at the customer's tap instead of from the water plant's effluent.

The extra cost of quality water would be difficult to state, Mr. Faust said. "But I estimate the construction cost at about $15 per person, or approximately $1.9 billion. With the work



For '60: A Waterworks Record

Waterworks construction is pulling out of the temporary slump it hit in the second half of 1959. Contractors chalked up an 8% gain in new waterworks business during the first 20 weeks of '60, according to ENR figures.

By year's end, contracts should reach a new high of $450 million, up 20% over last year's record. The faster tempo of lettings—expected to lift waterworks construction to an all-time high—reflects 1959's spurt in proposed waterworks construction on the drawing boards. As more and more of these jobs move from planning to bidding, contractors will become busier.

Major forces behind the step-up in waterworks construction demand are the large number of new, big mass housing developments and the increasing number of new industrial plants, many requiring more water than present facilities can supply. Mass housing contracts head for their third consecutive annual increase (awards to date top '59 by 41%). Meanwhile, industrial construction is climbing for the second consecutive year.

for Water

spread over 20 years, the cost would be about $95 million per year."

Mr. Schad's report is the first summary to be issued on progress of the two-year U. S. water resources study undertaken by the Senate committee over a year ago.

The findings of the staff to date, with most of the background reports in and all but one of the 20-odd public hearings completed, present a pretty depressing water outlook for the country as a whole, but a challenging one for the construction industry and research people. It will be up to these two groups to make the most of what we have through river control, treatment of water and wastes and development of new resources and techniques.

Mr. Schad pricked a balloon that has held aloft the hopes of some people. "We cannot count on a scientific miracle to help us out," he declared. Progress reports filed with the committee on desalting of sea water and artificial inducement of rainfall "give no concrete evidence which would lead one to expect early success," he stated. "In my opinion, it would be a grave mistake to place any great degree of hope on finding an early solution to our water problems from either of these sources."

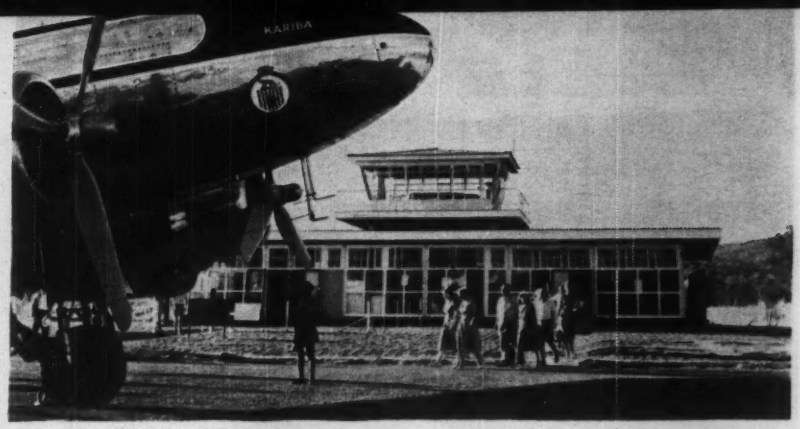
The committee job is to find out how much water development will be needed between now and 1980, when and where it will be needed and what the pattern of development should be. It is also charged with ascertaining how much public and private money can be economically spent for water development programs.

Information gathered so far shows that future waste loads in streams would require dilution flows so heavy as to be out of the question, Mr. Schad said. The Ohio Basin, for example, he pointed out, would require by 1980 several times the presently available 6 million acre-ft of reservoir storage to provide a reasonably clean river.

"Reasonably clean" is defined as 4 ppm of dissolved oxygen, he said. We could live with such water, he declared, but it would mean odorous and bad-tasting water at some times and places and possible elimination of all but rough species of fish.

Altogether, the studies indicate, the nation's combined water needs by 1980 may approximate the 600-billion-gallon-a-day supply that some engineers recognize as the total amount of water practically available at present, he said. He stated that this totaled about half the average runoff of all the streams in the country.

The answer, Mr. Schad indicated, is re-use, over and over again.



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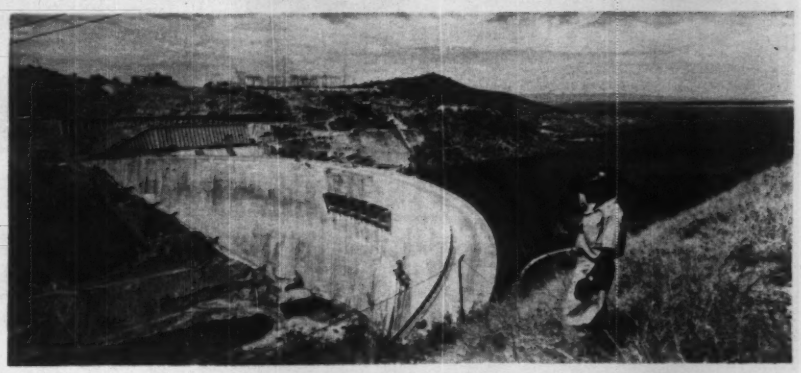

. . . Kariba Dam, a monument to an awakening continent.

Kariba's Power Now Official

With a lace-gloved hand, Queen Mother Elizabeth of Britain last week pulled the switch that put Kariba Dam's second 100,000-kw generator on the line and formally opened the giant hydroelectric project on the Zambezi River in Rhodesia.

Although still running at only an eighth of full power, the dam has already transformed its neighborhood, in the heart of Africa. The graceful double-curvature concrete arch is in stark contrast to the untamed jungle around it.

On newly created Lake Kariba sits a complete community for 60,000 persons. Built from scratch, it sports a school system, banks, churches, a hospital and an airport, Kariba's main link with the outside world.

The airport replaces an original strip now under Lake Kariba. The lake itself will soon be the largest man-made body of water—175 miles long and impounding 130 million acre-ft.

First power from the underground power house of the $224-million first stage began flowing to Northern Rhodesia's copper belt last December (ENR Feb. 25, p. 60). This initial stage, which includes the dam and six 100,000-kw generators, is scheduled for 1961 completion. By 1970, nine second-stage generators will go on the line, providing the full 1.5-million-kw boost for the future industrialization of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland (ENR Nov. 20, 1958, p. 34).

Construction of the 420-ft-high plug in Kariba Gorge ran the gamut of nature's hazards from a raging flood that breached the main cofferdam, to islands full of stranded elephants and deadly snakes (ENR Mar. 6, 1958, p. 31; Sept. 11, 1958, p. 107). Accidents on the job have thus far claimed 93 lives.

POWERHOUSE is 600 ft underground.

Jet Blast Rips Asphalt Runway

The jet blast from a United Air Lines DC-8 trainer ripped up an 80x110-ft section of old asphalt pavement from a runway at Denver's Stapleton Field. The asphalt broke up as the plane was preparing to take off.

This is the first report of extensive damage of this type. A somewhat similar phenomenon has been observed during jet operations at New York's Idlewild Airport. There, comparatively small patches of asphalt have been lifted from the surface of a portland cement concrete runway.

The Denver runway was built in 1940-41 as part of a WPA project. Base course is 8 in. thick, consisting of 6 in. of waterbound macadam (3-in. maximum size of aggregate) and a 2-in. leveling course of crushed stone. Original surface was 2 in. of plant-mixed asphaltic concrete. Over the years, several seal coats had been applied, adding about ¼ in. of thickness.

There was evidence that water had seeped down through the surface course into the base, causing separation of the two layers in some locations. Exact cause of the break-up is not known.

Don Crichton, airport engineer for United Air Lines, said: "Any crack in asphalt pavement is apt to be vulnerable to a lifting action from the jet blast that we haven't suspected. It appears that if the jet blast enters any crack—and it wouldn't have to be much of a crack—the pressure builds up quickly and you get an explosive action. This would indicate that we're going to have to have better airport maintenance than we've tolerated in the past. Certainly the runway surface, no matter what the material is, will have to be kept smooth and free of cracks.

"The surface where the asphalt was peeled back was alligatored. We suspect that there was a triangular section where the jet blast entered and the lifting action built up."

Cost of repairs is expected to be about $3,000.

The City of Denver has approved a $20-million program of improvements for Stapleton Field. The first revenue bonds ($11.7 million) are to be sold this month.

Republicans Offer New Depressed Areas Bill

A new Republican version of a bill to aid depressed areas was presented last week by Rep. William B. Widnall (R., N. J.), but prospects for Democratic acceptance of it were less than zero.

Its proposals might have some influence if the majority leaders decide to try a compromise bill, following failure to override the President's May 13 veto of their own version.

This is what the Widnall bill would do: Add 12 areas to the restricted list that would be eligible under the original Administration draft; authorize $75 million for plant construction and renovation loans, the same amount as in the vetoed bill, but with lending assistance limited to the Administration ceiling of 35% instead of the Democratic 65%; and double the current $100-million loan authority of the Housing and Home Finance Agency for financing public facility construction in smaller communities that cannot borrow money at reasonable rates.

The vetoed Democratic bill would provide $85 million for construction of local public facilities, $50 million in low-interest loans and $35 million in outright grants to both rural and industrial areas.

Probers Stay at It

Highway committee gets file of fresh scandals

The House committee investigating administration of the Interstate program, which found wrongdoing in Oklahoma, is getting new tips and leads every week.

Committee staffers are compiling a dossier of cases from a steady stream of letters, telephone calls and newspaper stories. The committee hopes to get enough fodder for early hearings.

- Out of a western state come reports of contractors paying off state highway officials, and allegations of complex land speculation deals where a few people have "cleaned up."
- Arizona newspapers have blasted at questionable land dealings in that state. The Arizona Republic of Phoenix has had front page stories on combines formed to speculate in land where the Phoenix-Brenda bypass may be located. The gimmick in the deal, the newspaper claims, is that members of the land-buying combine include a former governor, an employee in the state auditor's office, two members of the state highway department's planning survey division, and the like.
- Ohio Republicans are charging political favoritism is rampant in the state highway department. It's charged that "two favored sons of the Democratic state administration have received more than $1,280,000 in state highway department business since the first of the year" in sales of materials.

Other unrelated reports on Ohio highway construction contracts point to such things as sections of roadway sinking due to alleged poor construction; the collapse of a pier on a major bridge because of improper construction; contractors being squeezed out of bidding on projects because of their political affiliation; the use of certain types of construction materials because political favorites supply them; and high prices paid to politicians for condemned property.

- From an eastern state come charges of politically influenced route locations; of excessive use of consulting engineers and of deliberate over-designing being done by the consultants. Collusion between suppliers and buyers of state construction materials is another complaint coming from along the eastern seaboard.
- Allegations are made in a southwestern state that substandard materials are going into highways; that tests are not being conducted as required; and hints that some state and even Bureau of Public Roads inspectors are reaping fat profits from some of the roadbuilding shinanigans.

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Award for the St. Lawrence

The new award by the American Society of Civil Engineers for the "outstanding civil engineering achievement of the year" was bestowed on the St. Lawrence Seaway and Power Project last week in a ceremony at the U. S. end of the power dam in Massena, N. Y.

About 200 U. S. and Canadian Engineers, contractors and government officials witnessed the awards after spending the morning touring the extensive project.

Bronze plaques were presented by Frank A. Marston, consulting engineer of Boston and ASCE president. Receiving them for their organizations were Robert Moses, chairman, Power Authority of the State of New York; Lt. Col. A. A. Kennedy, commissioner, Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario; A. G. Murphy, chief engineer, the St. Lawrence Seaway Authority; and Martin W. Oettershagen, deputy administrator, Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corp. Charles B. Molineaux, vice president ASCE, Zone 1, acted as master of ceremonies.

The St. Lawrence Project was selected as the outstanding civil engineering achievement by a board of judges made up of editors of engineering and construction magazines.

They reviewed a list of nominations drawn up by the Society's Board of Direction.

Congress OK's San Luis Project

Congress gave its final approval last week to the $290-million San Luis addition to the Bureau of Reclamation's Central Valley Project in California. The San Luis authorization bill now goes to the White House, where President Eisenhower is expected to sign it.

The House of Representatives, by a 214-181 vote, last week, approved the bill, after voting also to require the federal 160-acre limitation on irrigation benefits to apply to all lands either partly or wholly irrigated by San Luis. In adding this limitation, the House followed the action of the Senate, which had added the same restriction when it approved the authorization last year.

The San Luis authorization may aid chances of the $1.75-billion bond issue to be voted on in California this fall. The bonds, which will go largely to financing California's huge and controversial Feather River project, have been under attack, and some California observers think the voters may turn thumbs down.

San Luis and Feather River would overlap in some areas. Feather River water would flow to southern California partly through San Luis canals, and both projects would use the same water in other irrigation areas.

The San Luis project, which will irrigate about 500,000 acres of California lands, consists of the San Luis Reservoir and necessary canals and pumping stations.

State and local money added to the $290 million of federal money run the project cost up nearly to $500 million.

The project would take surplus runoff from the Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers, transport it via the Delta-Mendota Canal to the new San Luis Reservoir for distribution to southern California irrigation areas.

'Hot' Problem

Objection to atomic waste dumping may halt projects

Radioactive wastes became a hot topic last week in New York and Massachusetts.

In Massachusetts, residents of Cape Cod, the state's vacation peninsula, are fighting a proposal for an industrial atom research center in the vicinity of Buzzards Bay.

In New York, a plan to store atomic wastes in abandoned salt mines has been condemned as a threat to the state's water supply.

Opponents of the Cape Cod development claim it would be used as a reprocessing center for atomic wastes from all nuclear reactors in the East, some in Europe and from nuclear-powered ships. Cape Codders, already worried about off-shore dumping of wastes, fear the center would endanger health and damage the lucrative tourist industry.

The Massachusetts Commission on Atomic Energy says such fears are premature. The commission is emphasizing the advantages for research that the proposed center would provide.

Other proponents say, "It's a problem of educating the people to the true facts," strict controls would make radioactive dangers negligible and the project would have a stabilizing effect on the Cape's economy, providing a year-round industry.

The idea for salt-mine storage in New York came about to encourage just the kind of project under fire in Massachusetts.

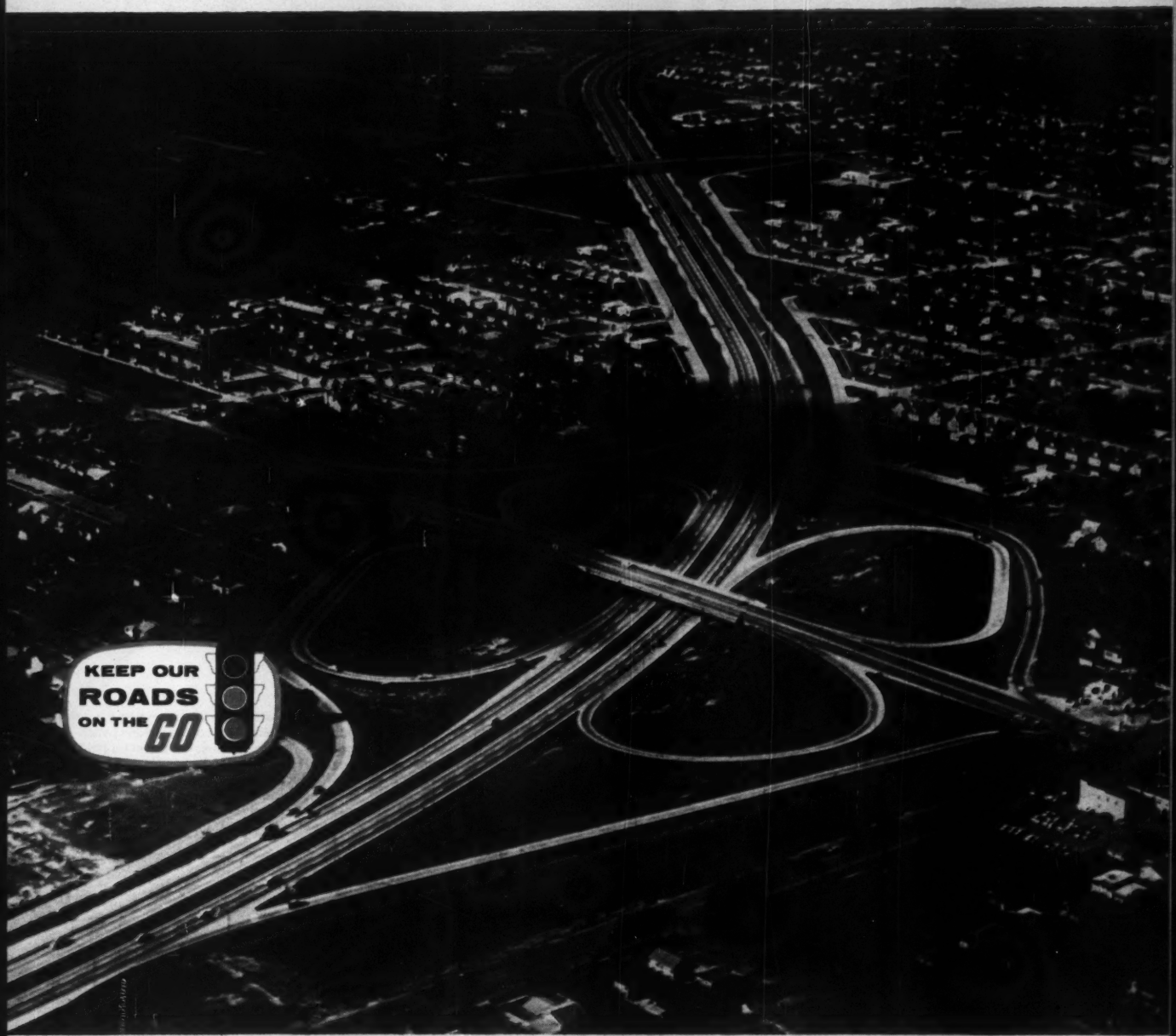
Silver Townsend, director of the state Office of Atomic Development, suggested to a group of Buffalo industrialists that storing atomic wastes in nearby salt mines might prove an incentive for establishment of a fuels processing center in the area.

The suggestion brought a quick response from Stanley P. Spisiak, chairman of the New York State Conservation Council's water pollution committee.

He called for legislation that "should mandate that such materials are at no time to be pumped, dumped or released in liquid form into any mine, cavern or so-called disposal well, from which they might find their way into any underground streams, waterways or water table."

Mr. Spisiak warns that most surface streams are the overflow of an underground stream or water reservoir. If these were to become contaminated by atomic wastes it would only be a matter of time before the pollution would spread to all wells and surface streams, he says.

Interstate road construction on the go in Illinois



Interchange of U.S. Route 41 and Touhy Avenue in Lincolnwood, Cook County

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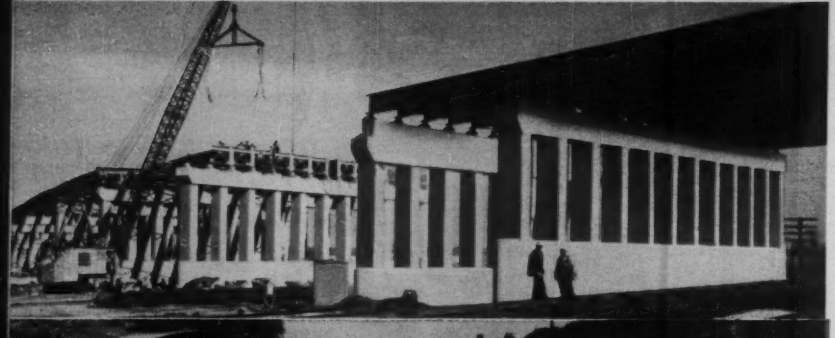

Left and above: Here are two of 2257 new bridges being built in Illinois. New bridges often carry traffic *over* previous bottlenecks, make for safer driving conditions, cut traveling time. In some cases creek or river beds are being altered so bridges can be placed in better locations. Many new bridges speed up traffic flow, are replacing old, narrow and unsafe structures. In most cases, USS Structural Steel offers the fastest most reliable and economical method of construction.

Culverts made from USS Galvanized Culvert Sheets are ideal for highway drainage. They completely absorb forces of impact and vibration, so they are excellent for use in high-traffic areas. Strict quality control through every step of production assures long life and dependable performance. Culverts shown here are on Interstate Route 74 in east-central Illinois.

Interstate roads

Products of U. S. Steel help keep Illinois roads on the go

Across the rolling prairies of Illinois a wide spiderweb of new highway construction is growing day by day. According to the Interstate Cost Study prepared by the Division of Highways of the State of Illinois in 1957, the estimated cost of 1,608 miles of new interstate roads and approximately 2,260 bridges in Federal and State funds would be $2,265,573,000. Already, 234 miles of road and 404 bridges have been completed, and under construction today are 140 more miles of road. This new highway network is part of the greatest building project of all time—the nationwide Interstate Highway System. It will relieve congestion and improve the safety record of roads in this rich agricultural-industrial state.

U.S. Steel provides much of the material for the Illinois road-building program. Cement, slag, reinforcing bars and welded wire fabric go into the highways and high-strength and constructional alloy steels, sheet piling, tubular piles go into bridges; drainage products made of USS corrugated galvanized culvert sheets or concrete carry away excess water. Wire rope, cable, tubing and special steels go into the construction equipment that moves the mountains of earth and lays the right of way. For safety, USS furnishes fence, beam and cable guard rail, steel for signs.

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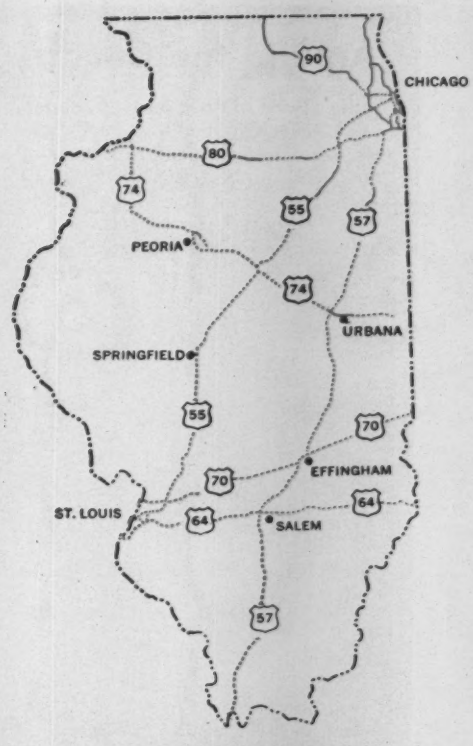

Illinois Interstate Highway network. Solid green lines indicate completed mileage or mileage under construction. Green dots are planned mileage or existing Illinois highways that will later go into the Interstate Program.

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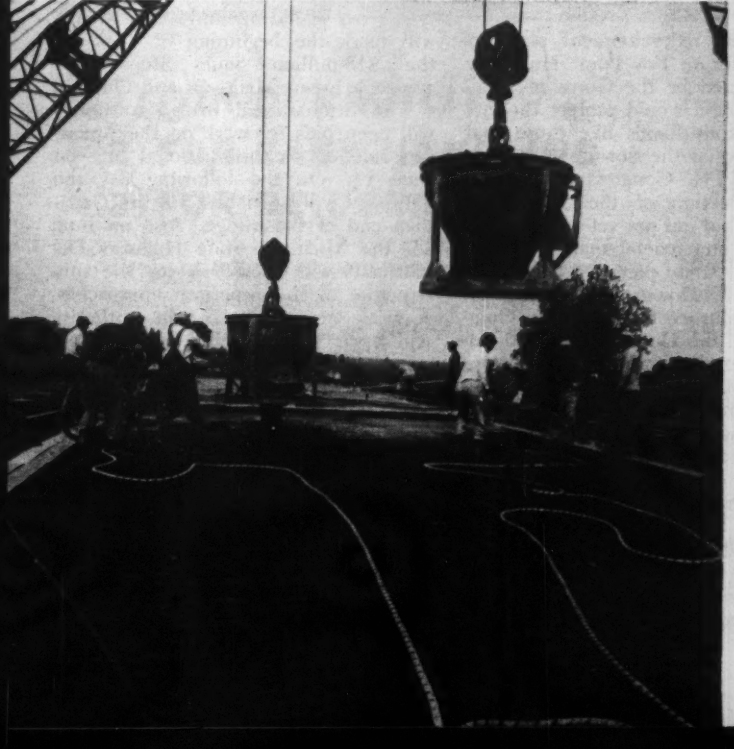
The highway market is served by the following divisions of United States Steel: American Bridge Division, Pittsburgh, Pa.; American Steel & Wire Division and Cyclone Fence Dept., Cleveland, Ohio; Columbia-Geneva Steel Division, San Francisco, Calif.; Consolidated Western Steel Division, Los Angeles, Calif.; National Tube Division, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Tennessee Coal & Iron Division, Fairfield, Ala.; Universal Atlas Cement Division, New York; United States Steel Supply Division, Steel Service Centers, Chicago, Illinois.



These men direct the Illinois highway building program (left to right):

William G. Stratton, Governor of Illinois.

Edwin A. Rosenstone, Director of Illinois Department of Public Works and Buildings.

Ralph R. Bartelsmeyer, Illinois Chief Highway Engineer & Immediate Past-President of the American Association of State Highway Officials.

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Around the Country . . .

• **Big Bend Dam starts**—Groundbreaking ceremonies this week kick off major embankment construction on $137.5-million Big Bend Dam, sixth and last of the Corps' mainstem Missouri River projects. A $3-million award went to Western Contracting Corp. last month.

• **Paradise No. 2**—Tennessee Valley Authority exercised options for a second 650,000-kw generating unit for the Paradise Steam Plant under construction on Kentucky's Green River. The second turbo-generator will boost the Paradise capacity to 1.3 million kw.

• **On and on**—Control group for the AASHO Test Road at Ottawa, Ill., has voted to continue traffic testing until November 30. Previous plans were to halt traffic on July 1.

• **Inventory time again**—Interior Department's Geological Survey plans to inventory water use in the U. S. during 1960 as it did in 1955 and 1950. Increasing demands and dwindling supplies in some areas make the latest survey necessary.

• **Twin Towers**—Next addition to the apartment buildings surrounding Philadelphia's Rittenhouse Square will be a $9-million, 32-story structure, framed in reinforced concrete. Twin Towers will contain 500 dwelling units. Designer is Philadelphia architect, Milton Schwartz & Associates; structural engineer, Dorfman-Schwartz, also of Philadelphia. Owner is Webb & Knapp of New York City.

• **Hydro wedding**—The City of Everett, Wash., and the Snohomish County Public Utility District are about to form a partnership to develop the water supply and power potential of the Sultan River. When completed, the proposed program would provide over 330 mgd of water and 140,000 kw of power.

• **Costly center**—Estimates of a proposed wholesale food center for Detroit range from $60 million to $86 million. The giant center would save consumers and food sellers $5 million annually, according to a report by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Providence Plans for 1970

The $102-million redevelopment plan for Providence (ENR May 12, p. 17) envisions a thriving commercial, cultural and residential downtown area by 1970.

First step: Create a non-profit corporation composed of business, civic and political leaders to promote the plan and to coordinate the work of private and government agencies in carrying out individual projects.

Private capital would finance over half the program; municipal, state and federal governments account for 30%; and special authorities, 20%.

Key to the whole program is relocation of the New Haven Railroad tracks and station. This would reclaim 50 acres, now inefficiently used, and make land available for a $28-million Civic Center grouping city, state and federal office buildings.

Other major projects:

• A retail shopping area centered on a pedestrian mall.

• A freeway system bounding the downtown area on two sides.

• A convention and sports center with a 10,000-seat arena and 25,000 sq ft of exhibit space.

• Residential development, comprising public and private housing, high-rise apartment buildings and row houses.

• Office buildings to supplement existing ones.

The whole redevelopment plan depends heavily on Fox Point Hurricane Dam, designed by the Corps of Engineers. The dam would protect the city from disastrous floods like those that flooded most of the downtown area in 1938 and 1954. Congress has authorized construction of the $18-million dam, though it has not yet appropriated the $12-million federal share.

A 2½-year study preceded the recent release of the Downtown Master Plan by its co-sponsors, the City Plan Commission and the Downtown Coordinating Business Council. A federal grant under the Urban Renewal Administration's Demonstration Grant Section financed two-thirds of the $165,000 study. City and private funds furnished the balance.

Four citizen groups cooperated in publicizing and planning the program.

Project director for the study was Mr. Dieter Hammerschlag of the City Plan Commission. Frank H. Malley is the commission's director.

Chicago Awards Contract To Extend Its Navy Pier

The City of Chicago's Department of Public Works has awarded a $1,875,000 contract to Raymond International Inc., New York City, for construction of a 1,250-ft-long extension of Navy Pier in Lake Michigan.

Being built to handle increased shipping generated by the St. Lawrence Seaway, the new pier is of concrete design. It is completely fireproof and will be virtually maintenance-free. Its 96-ft-wide deck of precast, prestressed concrete planks will support two railroad tracks.

Prestressed concrete cylinder piles will support the pier deck. Over 300 piles will be manufactured locally, trucked to the waterfront, then barged to the site, where they will be driven to an elevation about 78 ft below lake level. Piles will be about 80 ft long and 3 ft in dia. Their 4½-in. walls will have eight 12-wire prestressing cables tensioned to 160,000 psi. The piles have a maximum design loading of 230 tons. Concrete in the piles will have a minimum strength of 7,000 psi.

Six-pile bents spaced 24 ft c-c will be capped with formed and cast concrete. Prestressed concrete planks spanning the bents will be 4 ft wide and variable in thickness, with a minimum of 7½ in. at mid-span. A 6-in.-thick concrete surface will be placed on top of the prestressed planks.

The new pier was designed by the Bureau of Engineering, Chicago Department of Public Works.

Bid Openings Coming for Michigan-Ontario Bridge

A series of bid openings next month will mark the beginning of work on the $18-million Sault Ste. Marie bridge between Michigan and Ontario.

The International Bridge Authority will open bids for work on the American side of the international line on June 14. On the following day the authority will open bids for the Canadian end of the bridge. Also on June 15, the Michigan State Highway Department will open bids for the substructure of the American approaches. A week later, June 22, the authority will open bids for the Canadian approach span.

Tentatively scheduled to start August 1 is sale of some $17.4 million in bonds to finance the work. September 1 was set as the latest date bonds are to be sold. Contracts will not be awarded until after the bridge bonds are sold.

The U. S.-Canada link will have 12,000 ft of bridge and approaches (ENR Jan. 22, 1959, p. 28). Designer is D. B. Steinman, New York City consulting engineer.

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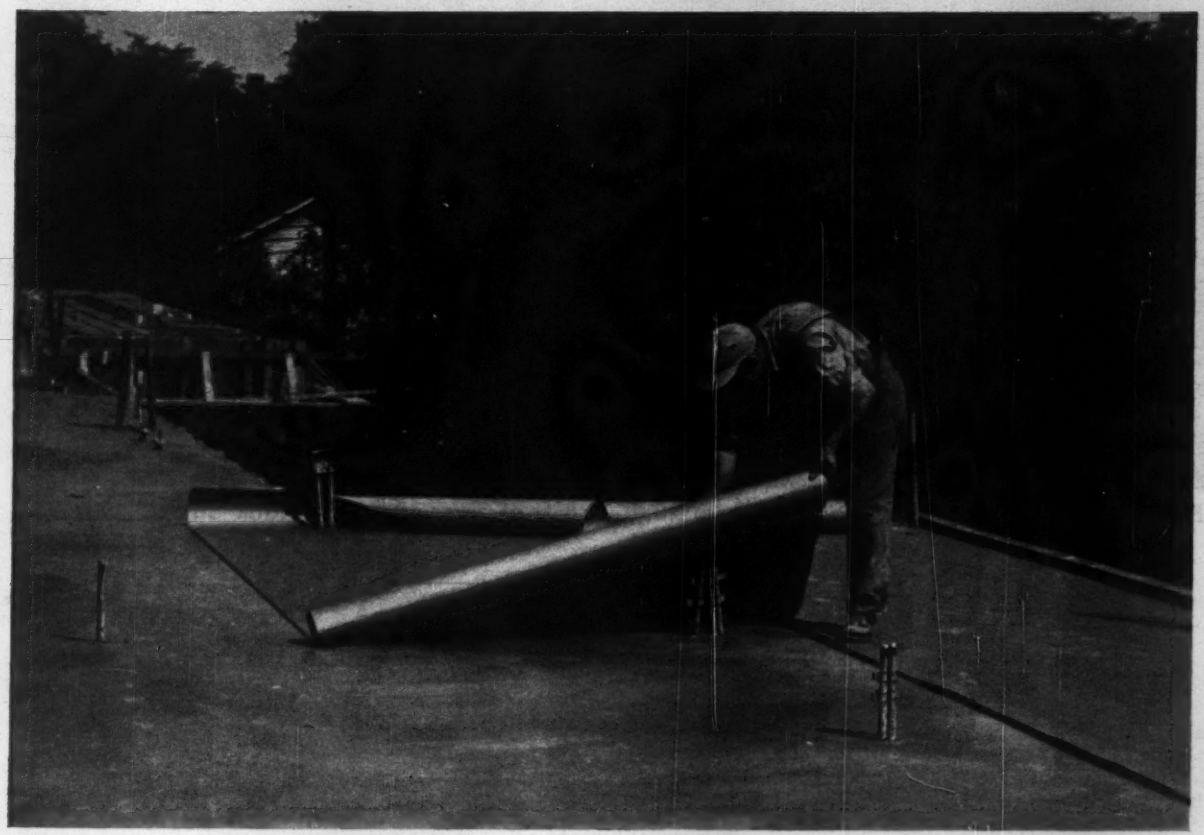

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Prestressing plant will eventually produce 20,000 sq ft of floor and roof plank daily.

Rapid Casting Promises Wider

An East Coast manufacturer will soon be able to produce enough prestressed concrete plank in one day to roof a 20,000 sq ft building. And the assembly-line production style promises to extend the use of standardization prestressed concrete products.

Key to the process is a German-invented concreting machine. It's housed in a building walled with the product it makes. The machine hangs from a gantry crane straddling six prestressing beds, each 450 ft long. Traveling 5 fpm along the rails, it deposits concrete at rates regulated by the 4-, 6-, and 8-in. plank thicknesses.

At present, three daily machine trips, down a different bed each time, produce 5,000 sq ft daily. This production rate will double by mid-summer, when six more 450-ft prestressing beds will be completed, and the building will be extended to 1,200 ft. Installation of another concreting machine will raise the daily production potential to 20,000 sq ft, with the plant force on two shifts.

The plank is produced in stacks over 5 ft high in each of the six beds. This allows eight 8-in. sections, ten 6-in., or sixteen 4-in. sections. Fine sand, dusted on top of each plank after it hardens, prevents bond with the next plank above.

First step in the production sequence is strand-stringing and tensioning. A small, gasoline-powered tricycle—the "rabbit"—rolls down the bed carrying a prestressing strand. (Horizontal wheels braced against both sides of the bed hold the rabbitt on course.) When the rabbit reaches the tensioning end of the bed, a workman threads the cable through an anchorage cone and attaches it to a pulley system weighted with ballast to exert prestressing force. After releasing the pulley to prestress the strand, he drives a conical wedge into the anchorage cone and cuts the strand. Meanwhile, the rabbit returns to the anchorage end of the bed.

Two small dump trucks carry loads of 2 cu yd from a central mixing plant about 1,000 yd away, and dump them into a 1-cu-yd hopper. The monorail-mounted hopper conveys the concrete mix from either side of the gantry and feeds the machine from the top.

Three hoppers in the machine place the concrete in layers. The front hopper deposits 1¼ in. of lightweight mix with expanded shale aggregate around the prestressing strands. The middle hopper deposits concrete in the central core section. Finally, the rear hopper places a standard-weight mortar mix for the top surface about ½ in. thick.

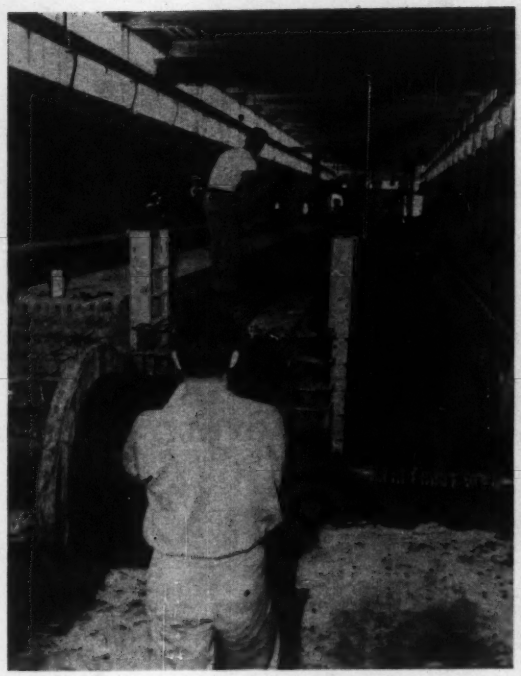
High-early-strength cement produces a 5,000-psi concrete in 7 days.

While the hoppers deposit concrete, strike-off bars level the concrete layers, and slipforms shape the grooved sides of the plank. Reciprocating tampers compact the concrete in each layer, taking the place of vibrators. A weaving screed strikes off a smooth top surface.

A set of mandrels, linked so that adjacent mandrels advance alternately through the mix, form the cores. The stiff mix holds the shape of the core walls and the plank edges. Mandrels for the 6- and 8-in. plank are elliptical in cross section. They are circular for the 4-in. plank.

To cure, workmen soak the top surface of the plank two hours after casting and keep it wet three days. A hose, with feeder lines for each core branching from a header, floods the cores one day after casting in moderate and cold weather when plant temperatures are below 70F or so. In hot weather, faster concrete setting requires earlier flooding.

Plank is ready for sawing three days after casting. After the strand anchorage is released, a saw operator rolls his electric-powered rig down the plank to the cut marks and saws it. Then a lifting rig, hung from an overhead

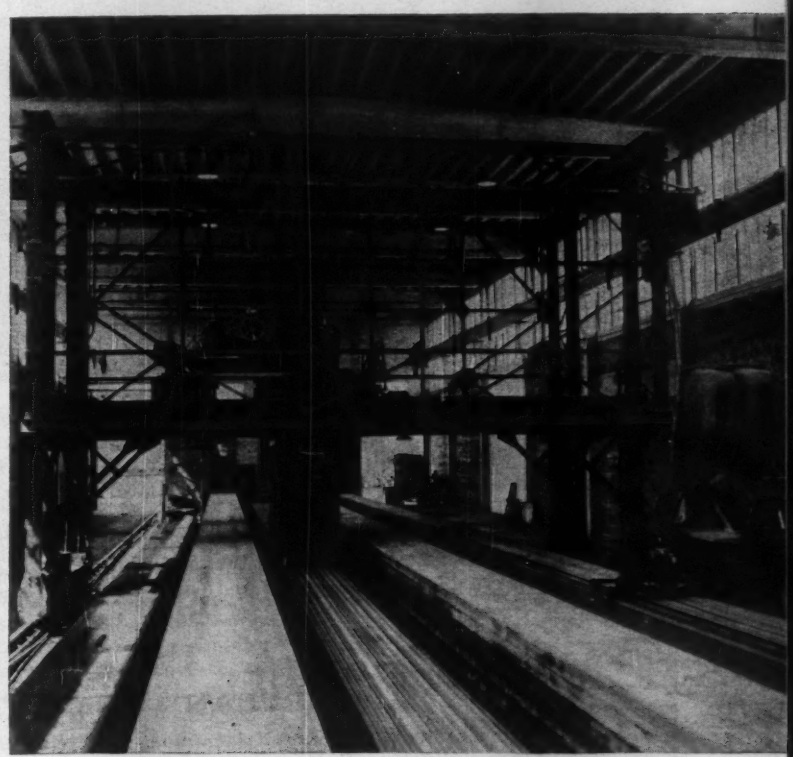


"Rabbit" takes strand from anchorage . . .

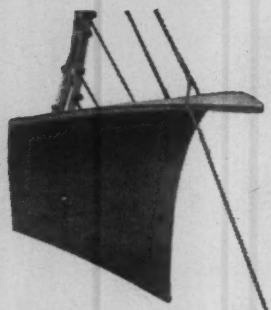
to prestressing end for automatic tensioning.

Use of Prestressed Concrete

Machine template positions tendons.

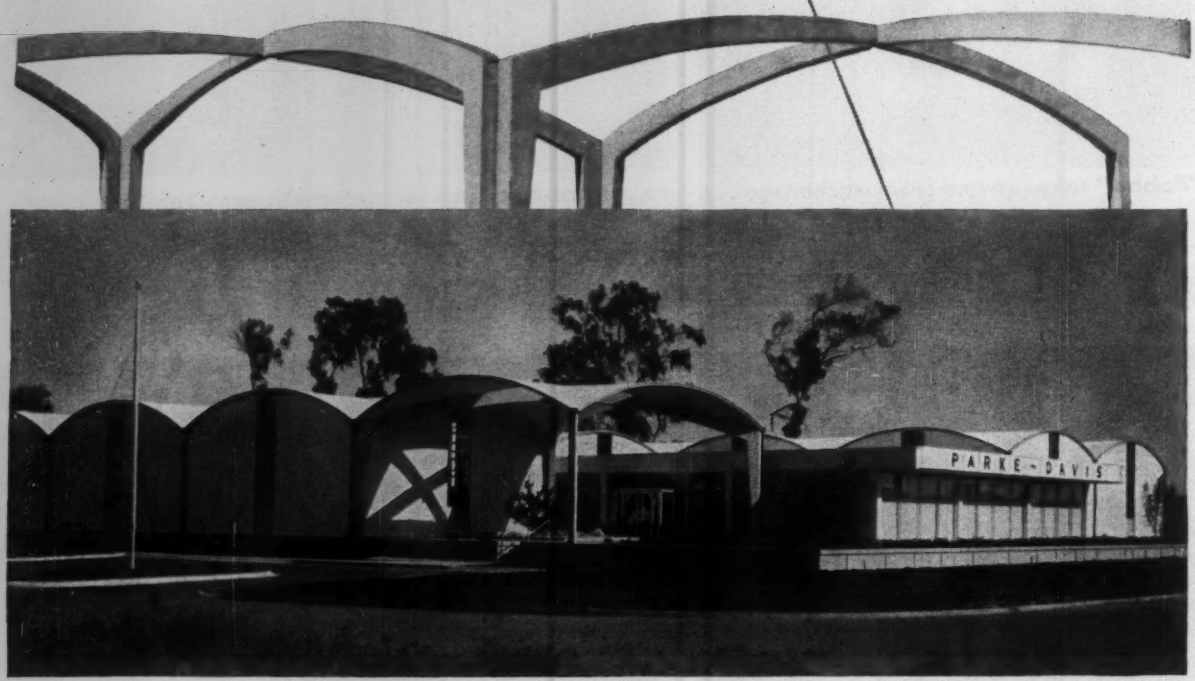


Gantry moves concreting machine at speed of 5 fpm.



Parke-Davis building
at Menlo Park...

jaunty "showcase" assembled from just 3 basic shapes in precast concrete



Beauty is good public relations, agreed officials of Parke, Davis & Company in planning this combination office and warehouse in a restricted industrial area in Menlo Park, Calif. To achieve this beauty, and fill practical needs as well, concrete was chosen for the whole job.

Shell-roof sections, L-shaped bents and wall panels were all precast, quickly and easily assembled on the job site. The results: a graceful, pleasing silhouette; the wide-open, fire-resistant interior specified; and a clean, modern look that suits a maker of pharmaceutical products.

Architects: Minoru Yamasaki & Assoc., Birmingham, Mich. Associate Architects: Knorr-Elliot Assoc., San Francisco, Calif. Structural Engineers: Ammar, & Whitney, New York City.

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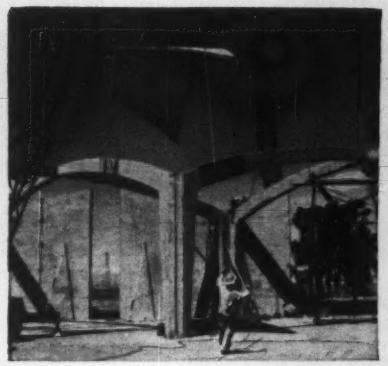


Concrete shell roofs are money-savers for wide spans

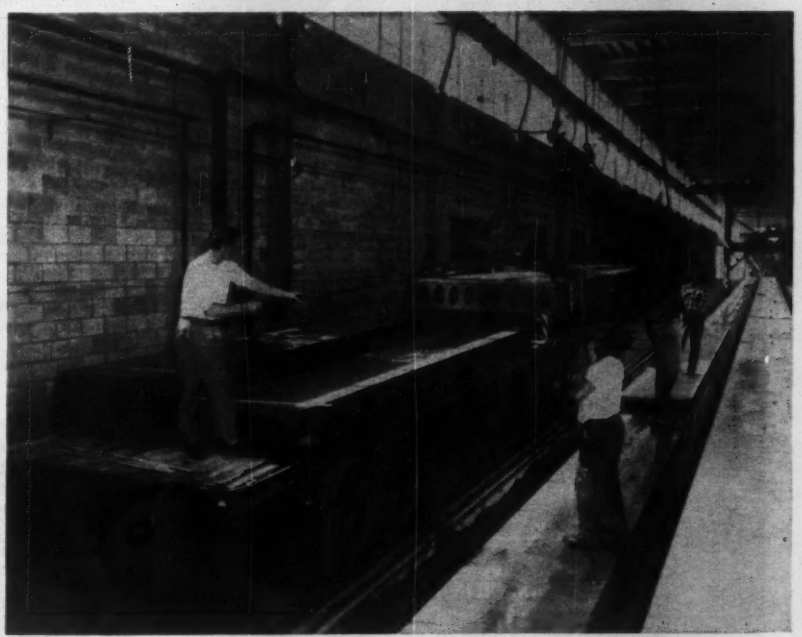
Thinner by far than an eggshell in thickness to span ratio, concrete shells give big material savings, low cost. Domes, barrels, folded plates, hyperbolic paraboloids are all shell forms that easily achieve large, unobstructed floor areas. Shells can be pierced for skylights, support heavy machinery suspended from them.

Precast concrete units cut on-the-job building time

For the Parke-Davis job, bents were stack-cast, locked together diagonally to form 40-ft. square bays. Lightweight concrete was used for the prestressed wall panels and for the shells. Multiple use was made of all forms.

For free literature *on shell construction (distributed only in U.S. and Canada) write to Portland Cement Association, Dept. 5d-17, 33 West Grand Ave., Chicago 10, Illinois.*

Water-cooled power saw cuts planks to exact length before . . .



. . . lifting rig hung from overhead crane loads trailer truck.

crane, grips the grooved edges of the plank with special tongs and swings it onto a trailer truck in an exterior aisle. From here the plank goes to a stockpile in the yard.

Strongest 8-in. plank spans 32 ft for floors, 36 ft for roofs. Several prestressing strands are placed in the top of each 40-in.-wide plank to resist erection stresses. Ultimate strength of the twisted, seven-wire strands is 250,000 psi; initial prestress, 150,000 psi.

Engineers of Formigli Corp., Philadelphia, the plant owner stacked the 8-in. plank horizontally on edge to form the building's exterior walls, spanning the 24 ft exterior bays.

West Allis Concrete Co., Milwaukee, Wis., holds the American rights to the concreting machine. W. Schaeffer of Heidelberg, Germany, perfected the machine shortly after World War II. Formigli has the first U. S.-built machine, although a German prototype has been in use since 1955 in a smaller U. S. plant in Waukesha, Wis. (ENR Nov. 24, 1955, p. 40).

Operations at the Formigli plant in Williamstown, N. J., are directed by Robert Stoelker, chief engineer.

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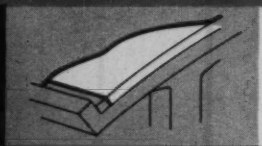
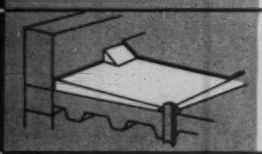
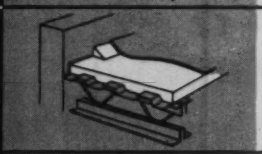
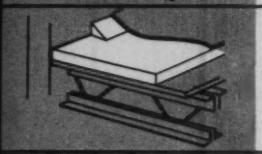
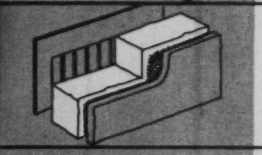
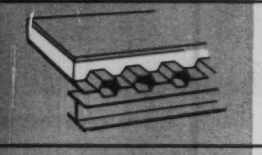
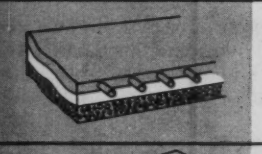
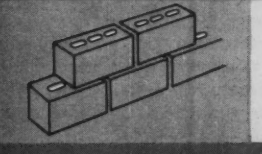
① THIN SHELL ROOF STRUCTURES Fill over Hyperbolic paraboloids, folded plate, etc.		Permalite-aggregate concrete insulation is easily placed on curved and/or sloped surfaces. On many roof shapes, this is only type of insulating material which can be applied.
② ROOF INSULATION Drainage Fill over Structural Concrete		Cuts labor costs, since structural deck does not need finished surface. Permalite concrete can be sloped to drain in same operation which provides insulation. No additional insulation needed.
③ LIGHTWEIGHT ROOF DECKS Fill over Corrugated Steel Deck		Poured monolithically over galvanized corrugated steel sheet welded to structural supports. Low in cost, very strong, suited to wide spans or where high load carrying capacity is required. No additional insulation needed.
Roof Deck over Formboards		Permalite insulating concrete offers weight savings up to 4 lbs/ft² over other poured-in-place decks of comparable insulating value.
Roof Deck over Metal Lath or Wire Mesh		Low in cost. Combines permanence, light structural strength and insulation. Recommended where joist or sub-purlin spacing does not exceed 36".
④ CURTAIN WALLS Sprayed-in-Place Backup Walls		Easily applied with standard machines. Permalite concrete sprayed in place has compressive strength of 1000 to 2000 psi—ample to withstand windload. High heat capacity. Fire retardance—up to 4-hour fire ratings. Thermal insulation without vapor condensation problem.
⑤ FLOOR FILL		Permalite concrete fill over cellular steel or other structural floors permits substantial reduction in dead load. Terrazo or ceramic tile may be installed directly over Permalite fill. Blends of Permalite and other aggregates provide stronger fills for use under asphalt tile or similar surfaces.
⑥ SLAB ON GRADE		Sub-slab of Permalite insulating concrete under radiant heating systems in slab on grade can reduce heat loss by 25 percent.
⑦ CONCRETE BLOCK INSULATION Loose Fill		Permalite expanded perlite, poured as loose fill in the core spaces of lightweight concrete block, increases thermal insulation by 50 percent.

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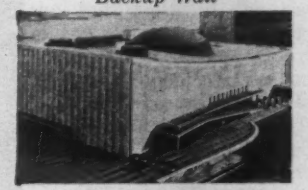

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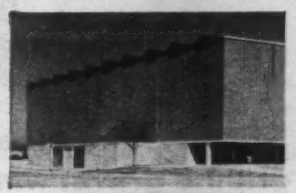

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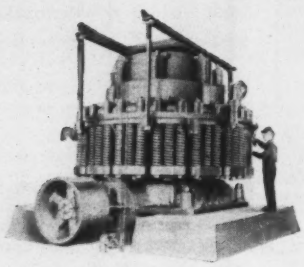

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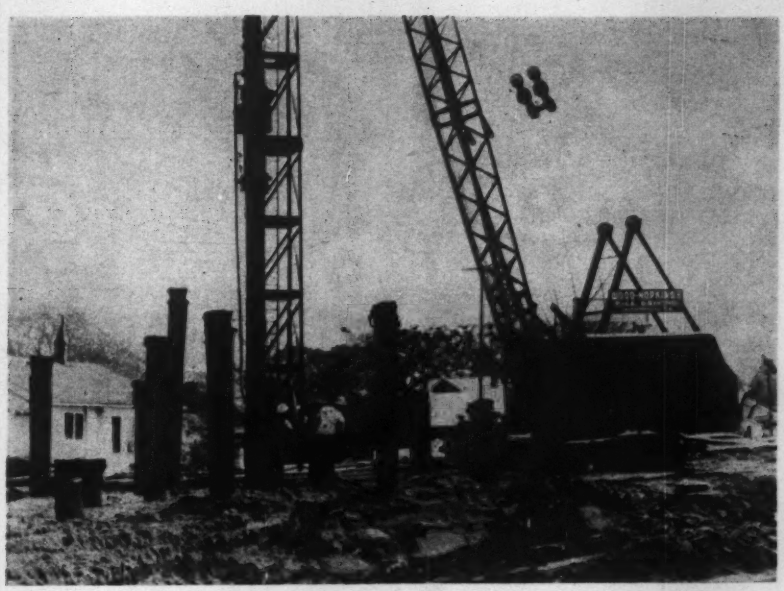

Treated Timber Piles Support . . .

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A 700-ft-long section of four-lane concrete pavement supported on treated timber piles is nearing completion near St. Augustine, Fla. Engineers designed it as a 10-in. flat plate slab. It consists of two 12-ft lanes in each direction with a raised concrete center median of variable width (up to 18 ft).

The pavement closely parallels tracks of the Florida East Coast Railway, which is on a fill. Underlying the surface sand and the railroad fill is an 18-ft-thick deposit of muck (A-8 soil), which could not be removed because of the possibility of damage to the railroad embankment. Hence, the unusual use of pile foundations.

First step in construction of the new road was removal of the old pavement and existing storm sewer. The contractor then placed the new embankment. Composed of sandy soil, the fill ranges in height from 4.5 to 5.5 ft above the natural ground surface.

Wood Hopkins Construction Co. of Jacksonville drove treated timber piles through the fill to a minimum bearing of 18 tons each. Piles range in length from 30 to 60 ft. After driving, workmen cut off the tops of the piles to extend 2 in. into the bottom of the concrete slab.

The contractor shaped the subgrade to the required cross section and compacted it. Before the concrete was placed, a ¾-in. by 12-in. steel dowel was driven vertically 6 in. into each pile top.

The pile-supported length of road is made up of approximately equal lengths of tangent and a circular curve. At one end is an access road to abutting property; a similar intersection on the same side occurs about mid-length. To meet these conditions, designers divided the pavement into 24 longitudinal units with varying overall dimensions, pile patterns and quantities of reinforcing steel.

The plan shown on p. 42 is typical of the tangent sections. Thirty-two piles—arranged in four rows of eight piles each—support the road slab. Engineers designed the slab and its foundation for H20-S16-44 loading.

Designers provided doweled expansion joints between adjacent slabs and at intersections. Each expansion joint consists of ½-in. premolded filler extending the full depth of the slab. Dowels are ¾-in. plain steel bars 1 ft 6 in. long, spaced 1 ft 6 in. c-c. Dowels are bonded to the concrete on one side of the joint; the other end fits into a crimped metal tube about 6 in. long. The length of the dowel between the cap and joint filler is wrapped with paper to prevent bond. Edges of the joint were rounded to ¼-in. radius and the top ¾ in. of the joint filled with poured rubber joint sealer.

The prime contractor—James H. Craggs of Gainesville, Fla.—elected to build the roadway in two strips, about one-half of the total pavement width at a time. This procedure required a longitudinal construction butt joint, with reinforcing bars overlapped. Specifications called for the bars to be overlapped a minimum distance of 1 ft 6 in. Workmen formed a ¾-in. by ¾-in. groove with rounded edges immediately above the butt joint. Except beneath the raised concrete median, the surface groove was filled with poured rubber joint sealer.

On one side of the first slab, the contractor cast an integral curb and gutter.

The raised center median is quite low, about 3 in. in height at the center. Median reinforcement consists of ½-in. bars spaced 18 in. c-c both ways. It is tied to the underlying slab by bent ½-in. bars spaced 18 in. c-c in the longitudinal direction; these bars are placed near each edge of the median. The horizontal leg of each bar is about 1 ft 6 in. long and the vertical leg about 9 in. long, extending down into the roadway slab about 7 in.

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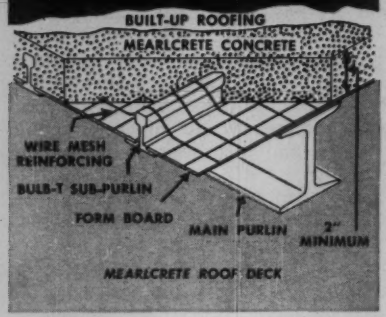

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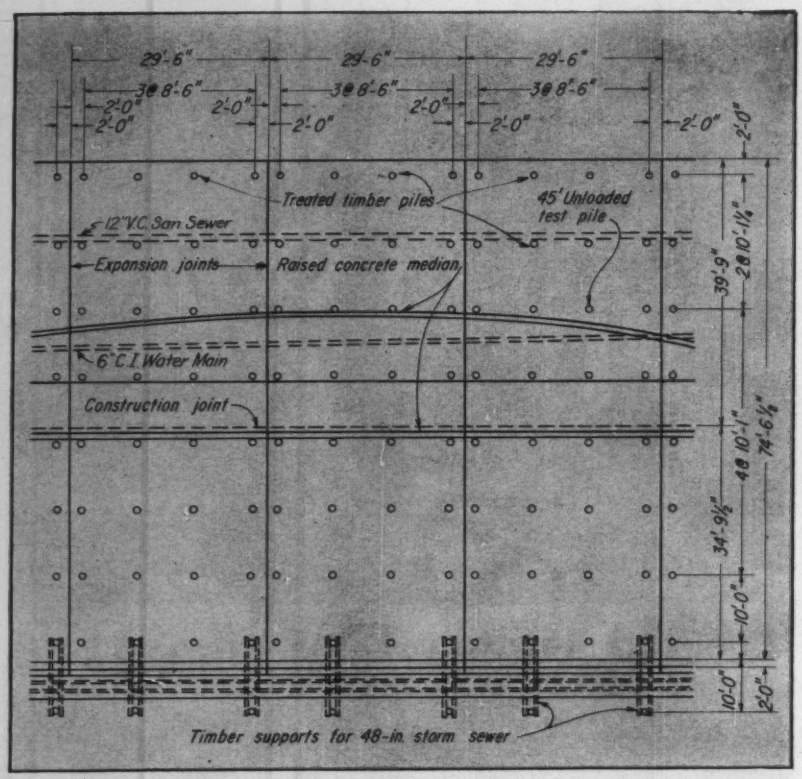


TYPICAL PAVEMENT section is designed as flat plate floor slab.

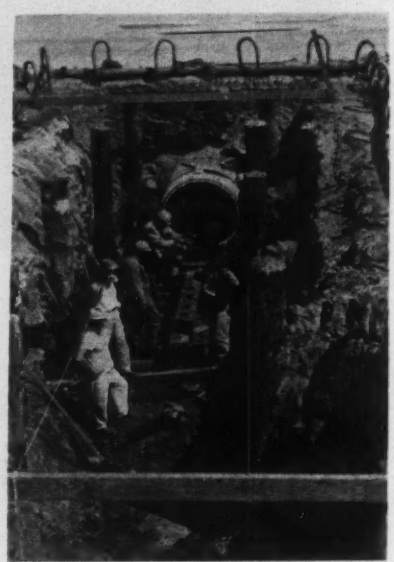
tion shown is composed of $\frac{5}{8}$-in. round bars spaced about $5\frac{1}{2}$-in. c-c on both top and bottom. Transverse reinforcing is made up of $\frac{3}{4}$-in. round bars at the same spacing, both top and bottom. Quantity and pattern of distributed reinforcing are generally the same in other units.

Ironworkers placed the distributed reinforcing steel, which was supported by bar chairs on the subgrade. Southern Materials Co. of Jacksonville supplied concrete from a temporary plant. Concrete slump was 2 to 3 in.

Heavy equipment usually employed to spread and finish concrete on paving jobs could not be used on the pile-supported section. The contractor used a 34-ft vibrating screed with adjustable crown and twin gasoline engines. Concrete was placed and hand distributed to the approximate height of the forms. Workmen then pulled the vibrating screed, supported by rollers at each end, over the fresh concrete. Final step was a light broom finish.

A 48-in. precast concrete storm sewer runs along one side of the pile-supported slab. This line is supported by treated timber members bolted to parallel rows of treated timber piles. One line of piles is the outside row supporting that edge of the roadway. The other row is parallel 6 to 8 ft away.

Principal transverse supports for the concrete pipe are 6x12-in. timbers. A pair of timbers connects each pair of piles, one timber on either side. Cradle for the pipe is made of 4x8-in. and 4x10-in. timbers. A rubber gasket type of joint was used in the sewer line.



CONCRETE STORM SEWER is supported by cross members bolted to piles.

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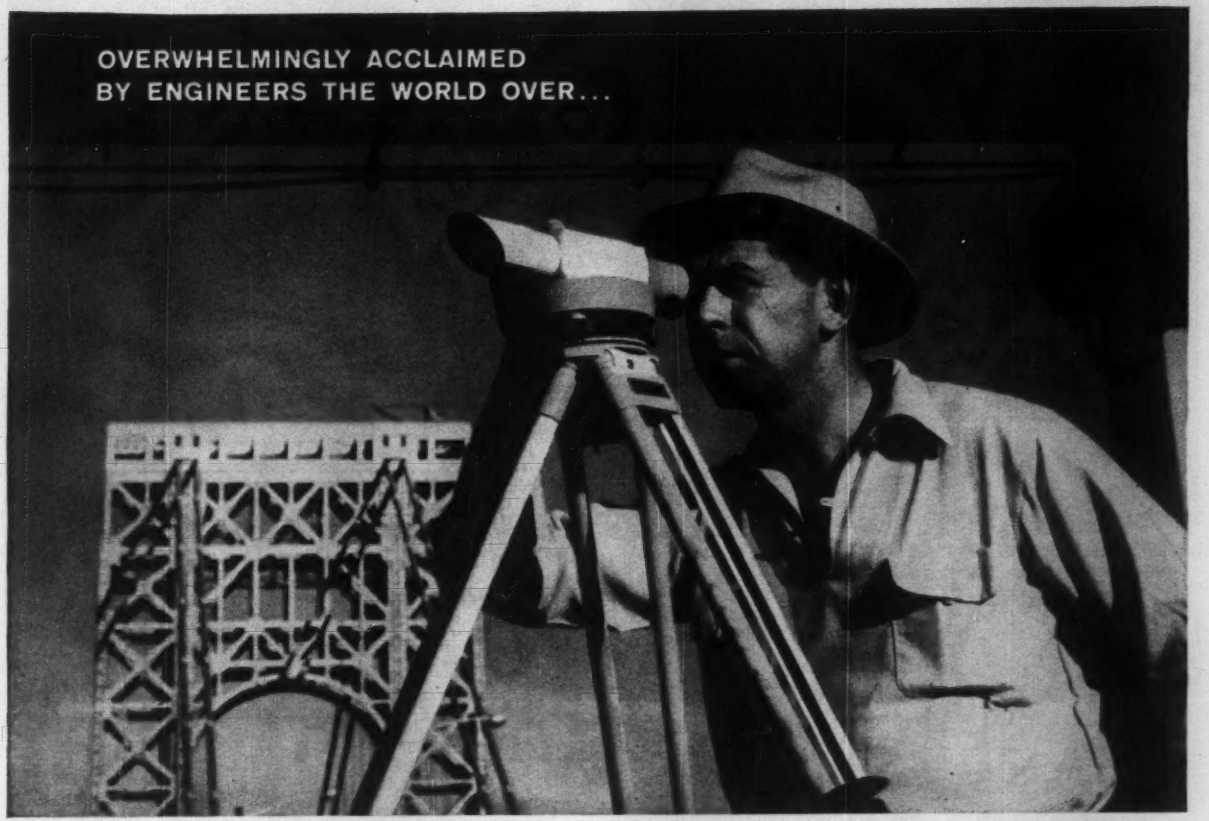

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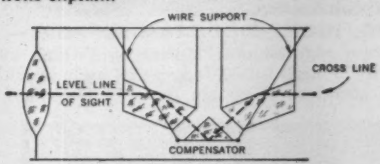

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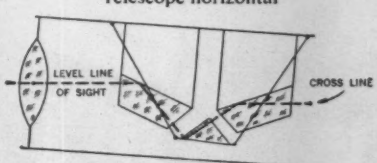

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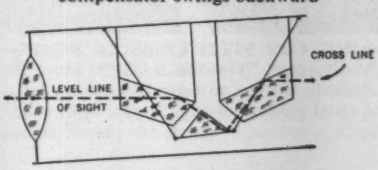

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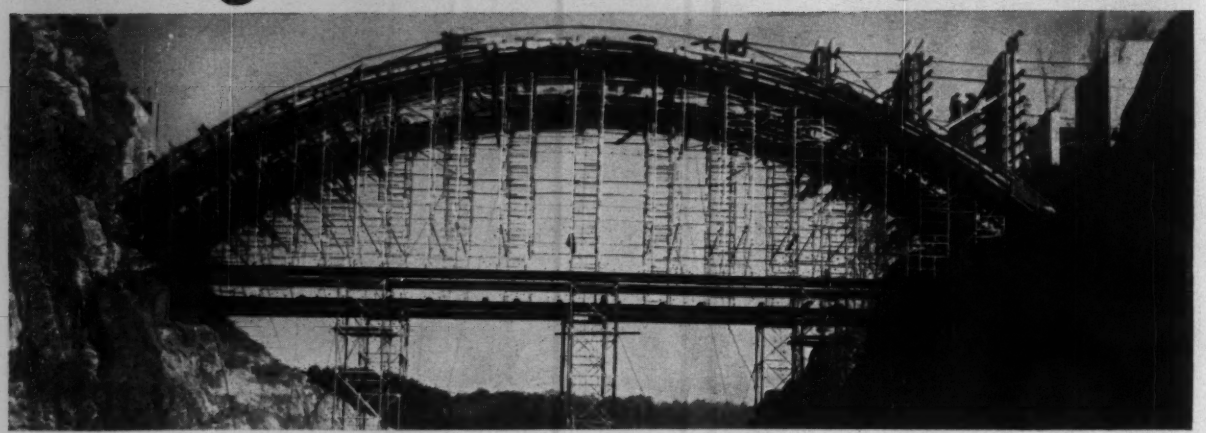
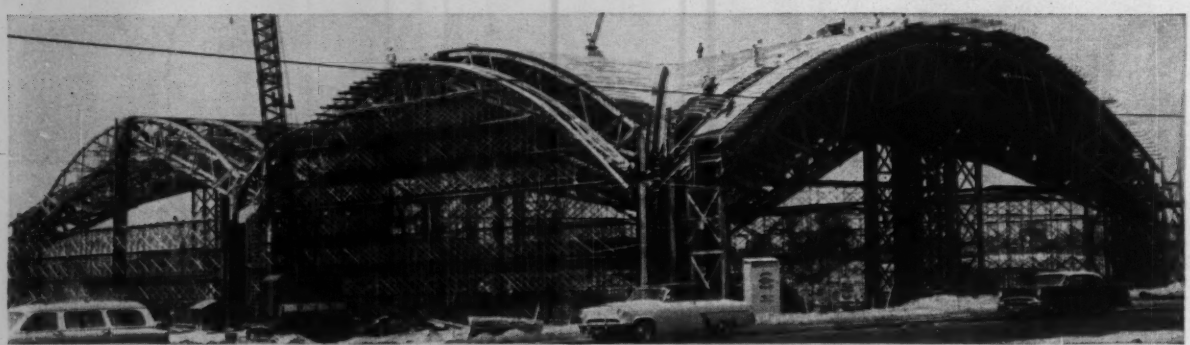


TWO-UP SHORING FOR HEAVY BRIDGE—For the new, 143′-long concrete bridge at Hogback Dam, Riverton, Conn., PS CO. Extra Heavy Duty Shoring is first assembled in 6 towers, 48′-high to carry a total load of 32,000 lbs. per leg. I-beams are set on top. Then "Trouble Saver"® 4′-wide Heavy Duty Shoring frames are arranged atop the I-beams. Frames support 9,000 lbs. per leg, imposed by columns and two ribbon arches 8′-wide by 1½′ to 3′-thick, 34′ center height. White Oak Excavators, contractor.



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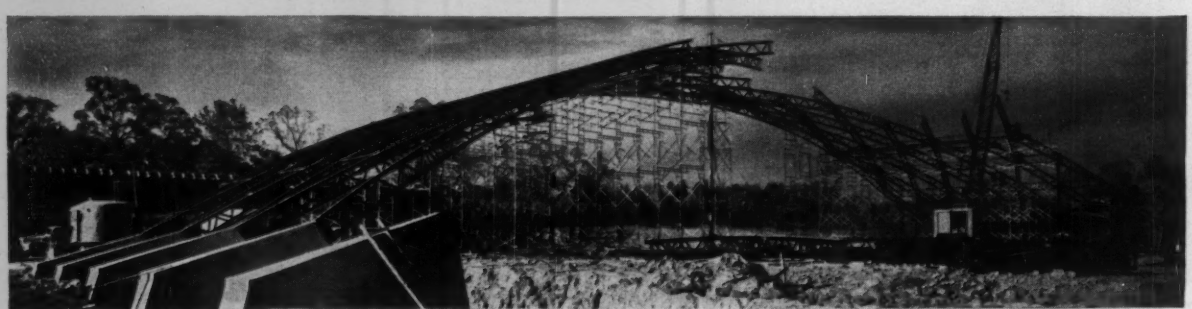

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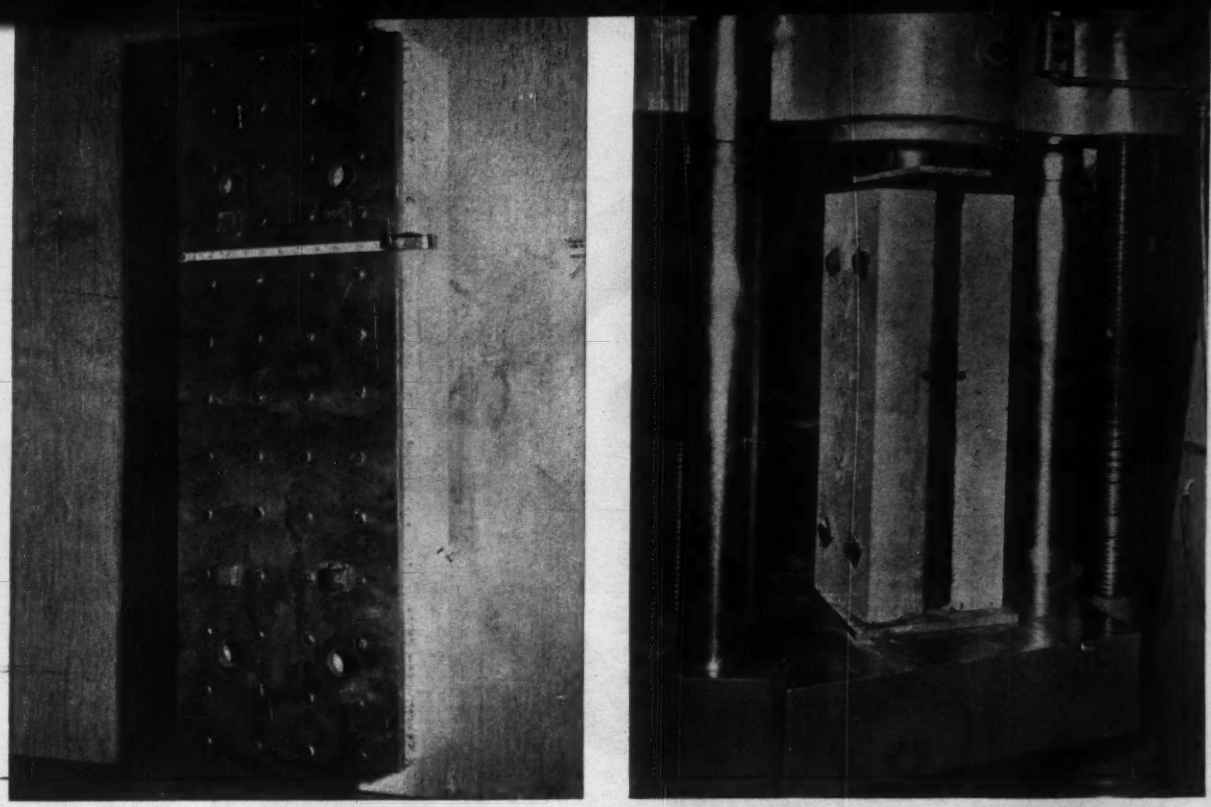
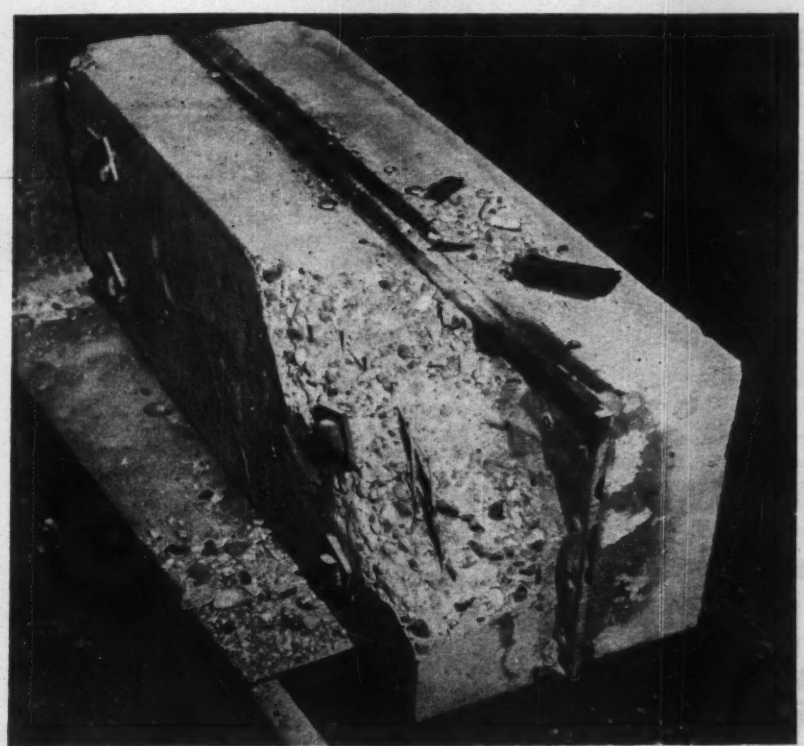


WELD BEADS prove adequate in shear transfer between steel plate and concrete slabs in tests on composite construction.

Shear Transfer Can Be Simple



FAILURE OCCURRED in this specimen by bowing of the steel plate. The specimen was carrying 290,000 lb when the steel bowed. There was no actual shear failure.

By Homer M. Hadley

Exploratory tests have demonstrated that shear transfer to provide composite action between steel beams and concrete decks on bridges and buildings can be relatively simple. Beads or buttons of weld metal provided unit shear stresses in excess of 400 psi.

These beads are much simpler than vertical plates attached to the top flange of the beams. And they are in sharp contrast with bristling forests of rod-type shear connectors used by some designers.

The exploratory test resulted from a recent bridge design that combined precast concrete slabs with steel wide-flange beams. The designer believed that shear transfer could be made simple. But proof—not opinion—was needed to justify design. Accordingly, arrangements were made with Prof. Holger Mittet to conduct exploratory tests at the University of Washington. Results were completely satisfactory.

The test plan was to sandwich a steel

Mr. Hadley, a leading structural engineer in Seattle, Wash., has designed many bridges and buildings in the Pacific Northwest. Before opening his consulting office, he was with the Portland Cement Association.

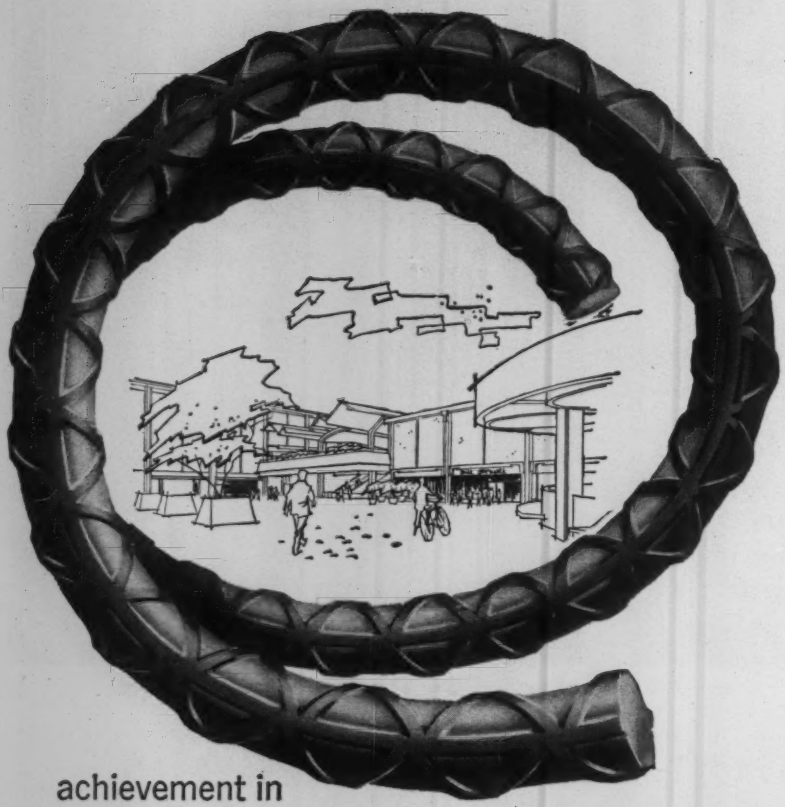


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plate with slightly roughened sides between two precast concrete slabs, also with roughened sides. The slabs were separated from the plate by ¾-in. layers of 1:1½ mortar. Load was applied to the projecting upper end of the plate. This load would be transferred in bond or vertical shear to the concrete slabs, which alone would bear upon the bed of the testing machine. Two such specimens were made and tested.

Small welded beads, or buttons, were formed on a 3x2¾-in. pattern on both sides of the 12x36x¾-in. plates. These were created by bringing a $\frac{5}{16}$-in. bare welding rod to contact and depositing a blob of metal, about ⅛ in. high and ⅜ in. in diameter.

To control thickness of mortar layers, four small spacer blocks, 1x1x¾ in., were tack welded to each face of the plates. (Note that these blocks are not shear connectors.)

Maximum mortar thickness was controlled with four ¾-in.-dia bolts with small plate washers that were passed through each specimen and lightly snugged into position.

The mortar space was sealed along the sides by 1x1-in. felt strips glued to the edges of the steel plates. And a 1x2¼-in. wood strip (later removed), on which the steel plate was seated, closed off the bottom of the mortar spaces. These spaces were then filled with early-strength cement mortar.

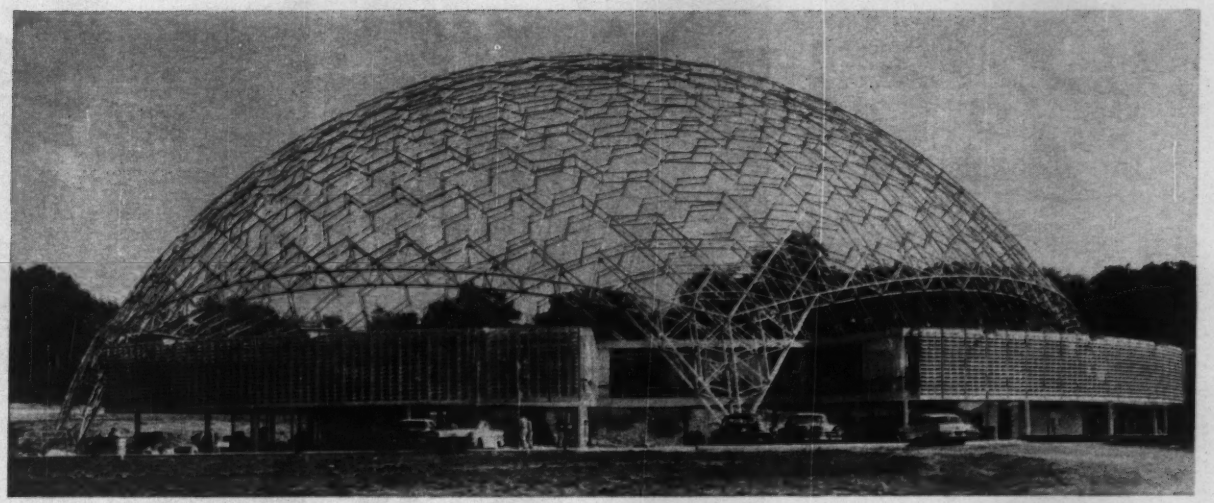
The surfaces of the concrete slabs coming in contact with the mortar were cast against forms that had been painted with a sugar solution. On removal of forms these surfaces were wire brushed, exposing the aggregate. There were no shear keys.

The steel plates projected 1 in. above the top of the slabs and terminated 1 in. above the bottom of the slabs. In this position, the ¾-in. bolts, passing through 1¼-in. holes in the plate, were out of contact with the plate.

During the test, one of the specimens sustained an axial load of 300,000 lb and failed in the bottom concrete, due to slight irregularities in bearing. The other was carrying just over 290,000 lb when suddenly it refused to take more load.

In this case, the steel plate, at yield point, bowed at the top and broke off the upper corner of one of the slabs. Again, there was no shear failure. With maximum loads distributed over a total area of 700 sq in. (twice 10x35 in.), the unit shears were 429 and 414 psi, respectively. Limiting shear values would, of course, be somewhat less.

This type of connection—with hold-down bolts—was used for the Upper Baker River Bridge (ENR Jan. 28, p. 42). Test loading indicated quite conclusively that composite action of an effective nature was being obtained.



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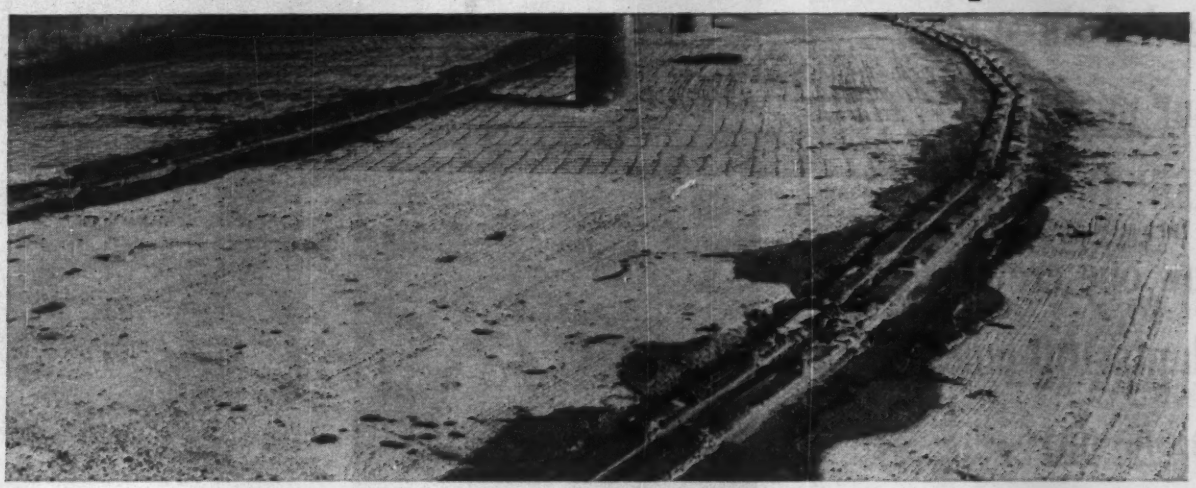

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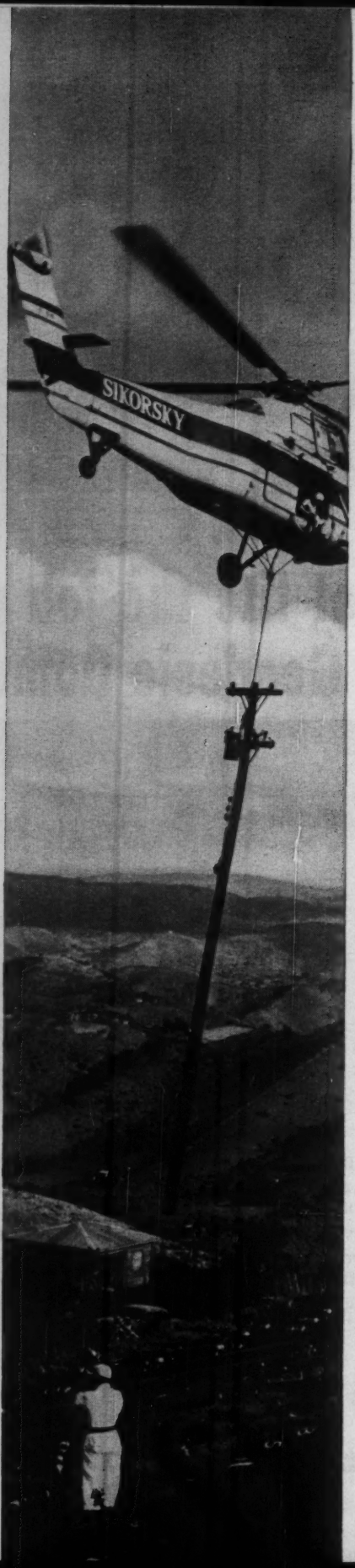

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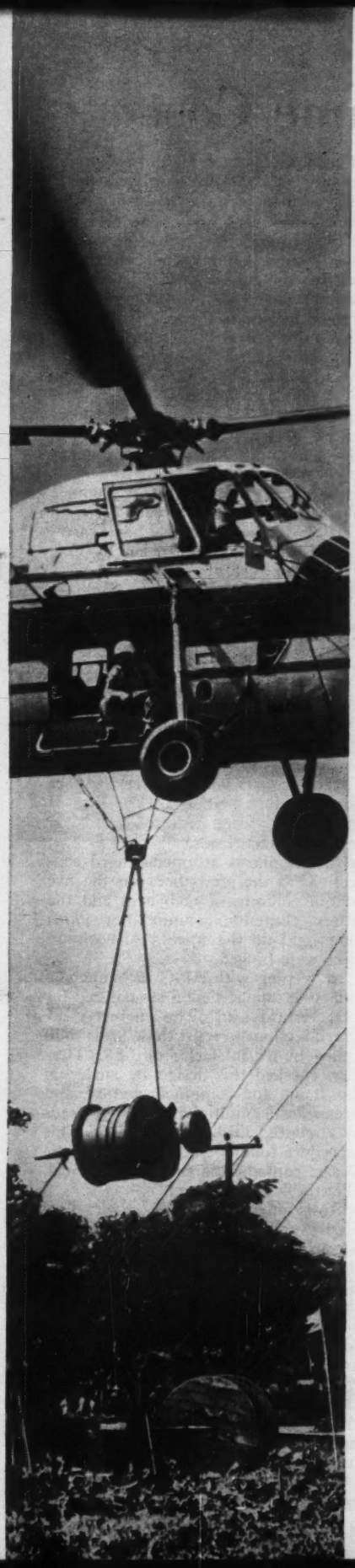

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Power line construction in Puerto Rico is tough work. Pole-planting crews of the island's Water Resources Authority must slash through thick tropical vegetation, push across mountainous terrain. They fight against time and nature. And now they are licking both with an S-58 Sikorsky helicopter.

Last Spring, the Authority bought the S-58 after earlier successful experiments with that machine. When the S-58 was in full-time use for only 10 months, time and money savings had paid off its cost in full. Now the Authority estimates that, with the copter, it can complete a full year's pole-setting program in a period of only three months.

Money savings? "Conventional transmission line pole-setting costs us from $120 to $380 per pole, depending on the terrain," reports Rafael R. Ramirez, the Authority's assistant executive director. "With the helicopter, these costs come down to $35 to $75 per pole"... savings of 70% to 80%.

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AGILE AS A HUMMINGBIRD, the S-58 Sikorsky helicopter hops from the staging area to pole sites, transporting and setting rural electrification poles like this one weighing 1,300 pounds. The S-58 will transport and plant them at a rate of 20 an hour—100 in a full working day.

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PAUL BUNYAN WAS A PIKER compared with this S-58 Sikorsky. The 65-foot, 3,750-pound transmission line pole it has lifted to the top of a Puerto Rican hill is guided into place by a two-man ground crew. Minutes later, the helicopter will be back with a second pole to make the H-frame structure. Then it will transport and set the crossarms weighing 3,300 pounds.

3

SPECIAL DELIVERY—Into a tight spot the helicopter lowers a fresh reel of cable. The S-58 is used in the stringing operation, too. In one day, it can string a mile of transmission line, consisting of three conductor and two shield cables. Handled by manpower alone, the same job takes two weeks, costs three times as much. The largest work done to date is 115 Kv on wood H-frame structures, 795 ACSR.

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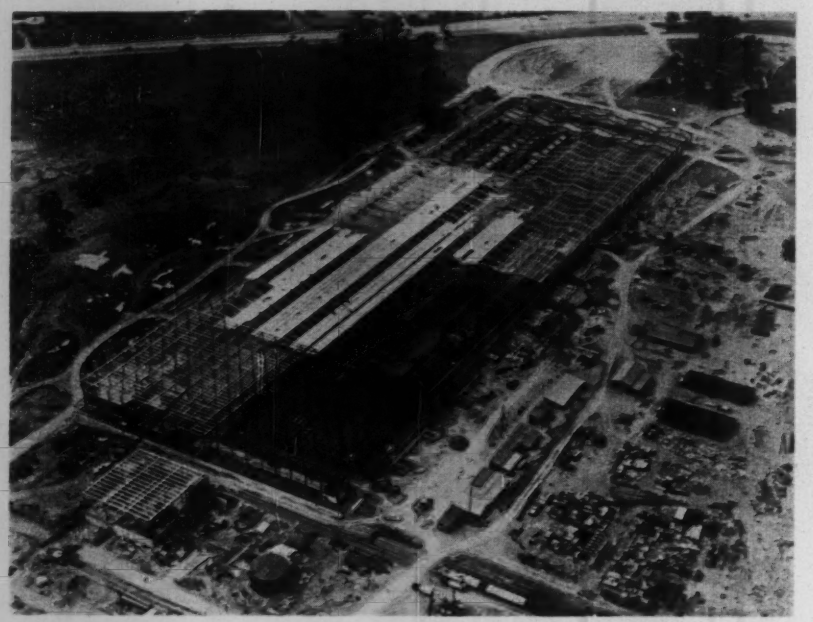

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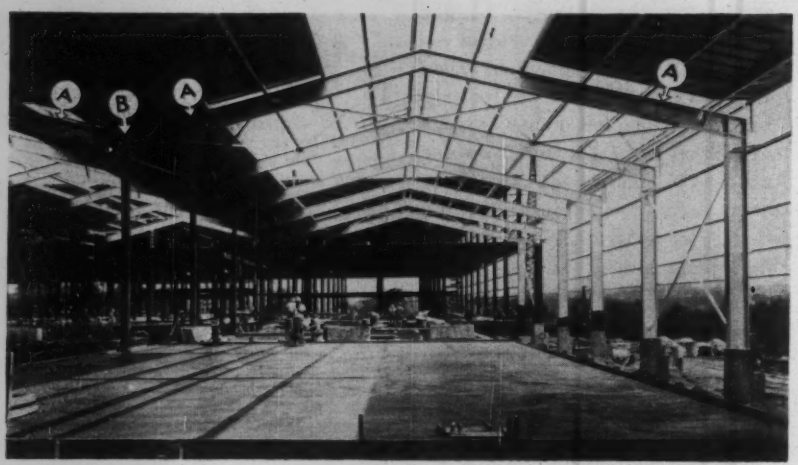

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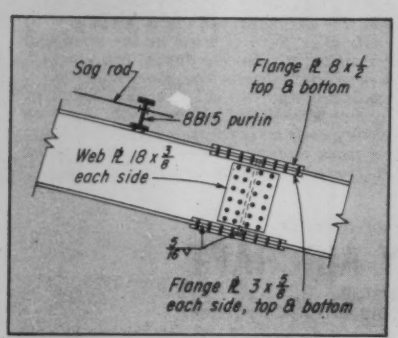

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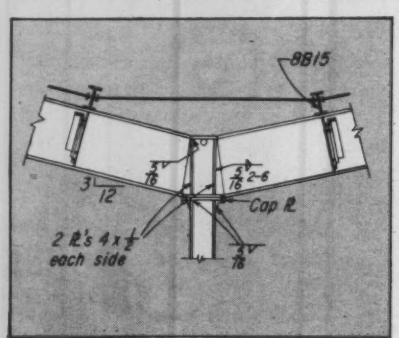

B Interior column-rafter connections require four 3/4-in.-dia high-strength bolts.

The economies of plastic design in steel are dramatically displayed in a giant tire manufacturing plant in Nashville, Tenn.

Rust Engineering Co., designer-builder saved 140 tons of structural steel in the one-story, 352,000-sq-ft building, largest U. S. structure yet designed by plastic theory.

Each line of roof framing consists of six 60-ft spans of continuous gabled rigid frames. They frame across the 360-ft building, spaced 25 ft c-c typically for the 975-ft length. Rafter slope is 3 on 12.

Roof purlins are two-span continuous members at a maximum spacing of 6 ft. They carry 2 3/4-in. precast channel slabs with 1-in. web thickness.

Plastic design of a typical bent, carrying roof load only, resulted in 21WF68 rafters and exterior columns, with 8WF31 interior columns. In contrast, a conventional elastic design, limiting design tensile stress to 20,000 psi, (24,000 psi over continuous supports) required 24WF84 rafters and exterior columns. Interior columns remained 8WF31's. Weight savings in the frames thus averaged 19%.

The designers suspended the toilet rooms and offices from the roof frames to keep the main floor area free. Heavier frame sections, either 21WF96's or 21WF127's, were required to carry these additional loads.

Rust engineers assumed hinged connections at the joints between the five interior columns of each bent and the rafters. Exterior column-rafter joints were rigid at the knees. All column bases were hinged.

In keeping with AISC recommendations, the frames were first analyzed for total vertical load. The engineers designed sections to resist these loads multiplied by a load factor of 1.85. They then checked this design by analyzing the frame for combined vertical and lateral load, multiplying design loads by a reduced load factor of 1.40. This procedure follows the Rules for Plastic Design contained in the AISC Manual, "Plastic Design in Steel."

Rust engineers made their final plastic analysis of the frame by the Mechanism Method. In this method, the designer first determines the possible failure modes, or mechanisms, of the structure. He then equates internal and external work for each mechanism (eliminating obviously false solutions) and solves the equations for plastic moment. The mechanism that gives the lowest value of plastic moment is the correct solution—ie., the mode of failure for the structure. This approach must be used for complex structures

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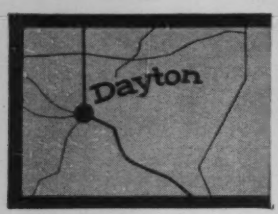

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that can't be solved by the other method of plastic analysis—the Statical Method. It is simpler than any conventional method of elastic analysis—e.g., least work, moment distribution, slope deflection. All of these are extremely laborious when applied to the solution of multi-span frames.

Fabrication was highly standardized, owing to the uniform bay spacing. Splice points on the rafters are equally spaced from column center lines. They occur at, or very close to, points of minimum bending stress. Each continuous six-bay section was shop-welded as 18 units, comprising six identical inverted V-rafter members, five interior V's, five interior columns, and two exterior column-rafter partial Y's. All 17 field connections required for each six-span frame were bolted. This eliminated the expense of bringing welding equipment onto the jobsite. High-strength bolts, $\frac{7}{8}$ in. in diameter, connected flange and web plates at rafter splice points to provide full moment, axial load and shear transfer.

Three crews, each working with a crane, erected the entire 1,745 tons of steel in 35 working days, averaging 17 tons per crew daily. Eight two-man bolting teams made the permanent field connections. Three other crane-crews unloaded and sorted steel as trucks arrived on the site from the fabricator's plant.

The erection crews worked down one side of the building from exterior, erecting three spans of each continuous six-span frame. After completing the first side, they erected the three remaining spans on the other side of the building, working from interior to exterior this time.

Proper guying of the frames, with all column bases hinged, was essential. Both exterior columns in each continuous frame had to be in place to provide lateral stability before the roof plank was installed.

Steel crews erected the lightweight, 50-ft-long 8B15 purlins with a special rig to prevent buckling of the slender members as they were lifted. The guying cables bracing the frames made stacking difficult in the 25x60-ft bays. But the weight saving over simple-span purlins more than offset the slightly increased erection cost.

The designers provided two expansion joints, dividing the building into three sections ranging from 300 to 350 ft long. Double frames, spaced two ft apart, occur at these joints.

Decatur Iron and Steel Co. of Decatur, Ala., fabricated the structural steel.

The American Institute of Steel Construction reviewed design calculations for conformity with the Rules for Plastic Design, which at the time had not been published.

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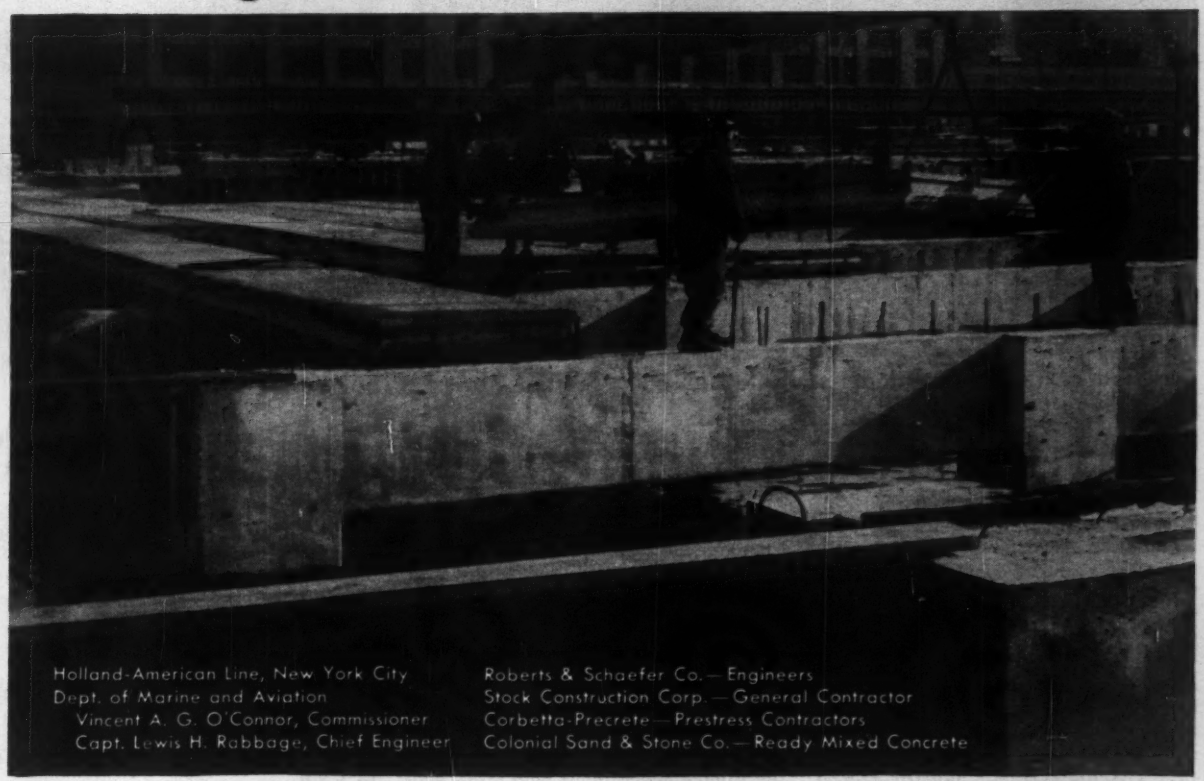

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France, after a 15-year struggle with its housing shortage, is finally attaining its long sought construction goal.

More than 300,000 dwelling units were completed last year and another 300,000 are slated for construction this year, including 90,000 in the teeming Paris area. That's the construction rate housing experts have been demanding for years.

Foreign companies are expected to play a sizable role this year in French construction. They are being wooed by government subsidies and financial aid.

The man behind recent progress on France's number one social problem is the dynamic, 40-year-old Minister of Construction, Pierre Sudreau, who was appointed to General Charles de Gaulle's cabinet in 1958 in the face of a French tradition that ministers be chosen only from the legislature. Sudreau had been Housing and Planning Commissioner in Paris.

Last year, under his jurisdiction, the French government paid more than half the country's total $2.1-billion housing bill—out of state coffers. The government financed construction of some 75,000 to 90,000 units last year at a cost of $460 million dollars. Another $640 million of government housing spending was handed out in the form of subsidies and low interest loans—mostly to construction companies.

Now that the 300,000-unit annual construction rate has been met, Minister Sudreau is setting new building goals. These are his aims as explained to ENR:

• **Attract more foreign construction companies.** More privately-financed

Minister of Construction Pierre Sudreau . . .

plays big role in getting new apartments for workers . . .

going up, with a strong boost from the government.

Housing Shortage

housing is badly needed to ease the government's heavy load (housing takes 10% of the total government budget.) Foreign builders therefore will enjoy the same government subsidies as French firms. Several Italian companies are building in France, and Belgian and German firms are also considering French ventures. Sudreau says American builders would be welcome; "I'll give them the same terms as French contractors," he says.

• **Establish a faster construction rate, up to 350,000 dwelling units annually.** To push up the rate this year, the government is guaranteeing housing builders against future rent freezes. It thus hopes to encourage construction of higher-rent dwellings than the government sponsored structures. Another housing stimulus is an 18 months savings plan under which the government will match savings of potential home buyers with a loan of the same amount to be used as downpayment on a new dwelling.

• **Improve building standards.** Better building with no increase in cost is now feasible. "Our major housing problem after the war was to create a building industry capable of large-scale production," says Sudreau. "This is now accomplished. There are 10 prefabrication processes competing within France."

• **Provide more housing for low-income groups.** Many dwellings built for moderate rate rental with government credits have gone to middle income Frenchmen. "Government funds must be used primarily to help the others," insists Sudreau.

• **Insure better architecture and city planning.** Recently the Minister ordered goverment officials to warn architects and construction men that government funds will go on priority to projects that come up to traditional French esthetic standards.

Despite the progress, France's housing problem is a long way from solution. Between the two world wars, French rents were frozen at their 1914 level. The freeze protected tenants, but made new construction for all but luxury dwellings entirely unprofitable.

Rents have been increased gradually since 1948, but they are still too low to make most private rental building worthwhile for investors unless subsidized by the government. (Rent on a four-room apartment with bath in a middle-class old Paris house is less than $25 monthly.) Present subsidies are enabling private builders to offer low-cost housing units for sales on credit at prices to match the middle-class Frenchman's pocketbook. (The middle-

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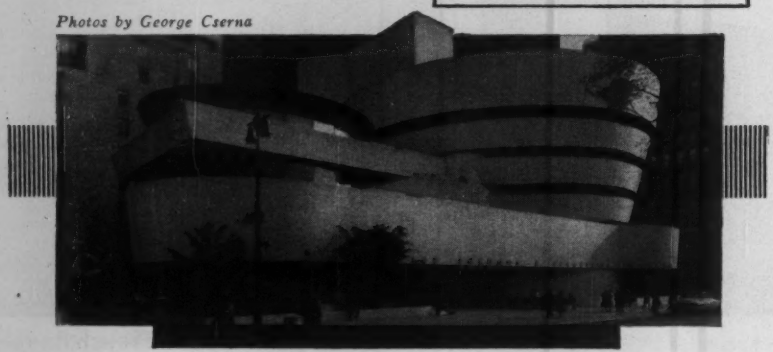

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class Frenchman's pocketbook contains about $60.00 weekly income.)

Paris is a special challenge for housing planners. In the capital city and surrounding region, almost one-fifth of France's population is crammed into less than 3% of the country's total area. Twelve percent of the region's dwellings are more than a century old. Almost one-fifth of all Paris housing has no water; one-fourth is overcrowded; and one-half has no private toilets. To make matters worse more than 200,000 people from other areas flock to the Paris region each year.

The government has a four-point program for Paris that would:

- Decentralize industry, moving nonessential plants to the provinces, expecially to the economically underdeveloped areas that are becoming depopulated.
- Move essential industry from the heart of the city out to the peripheral areas.
- Develop Paris suburbs by building houses, parks, schools, and hospitals close to industrial zones.
- Clear slums and renovate existing Paris housing.

No new industries are permitted within the Paris area and requests for permits to build offices in town will get a cold reception.

There are now 14 million dwelling units in France, of which 120,000 units must be replaced annually. The population is growing at the rate of 300,000 a year. Figuring three persons to a dwelling, this means 100,000 new units annually. City-planning operations call for another 80,000 units a year.

These needs add up to the 300,000-units annual goal set by government planners.

Italians Build Arch Dam For Swiss Hydro Plants

Italian engineers and workers are building an arch dam for Swiss owners at the Italian-Swiss border near the Spluga Pass.

The dam will be 2,132 ft long at the crest. Maximum height will be 459 ft, thickness 92 ft at the base and 49 ft at the crest. The reservoir contained by the dam will hold 157,600 acre-ft of water.

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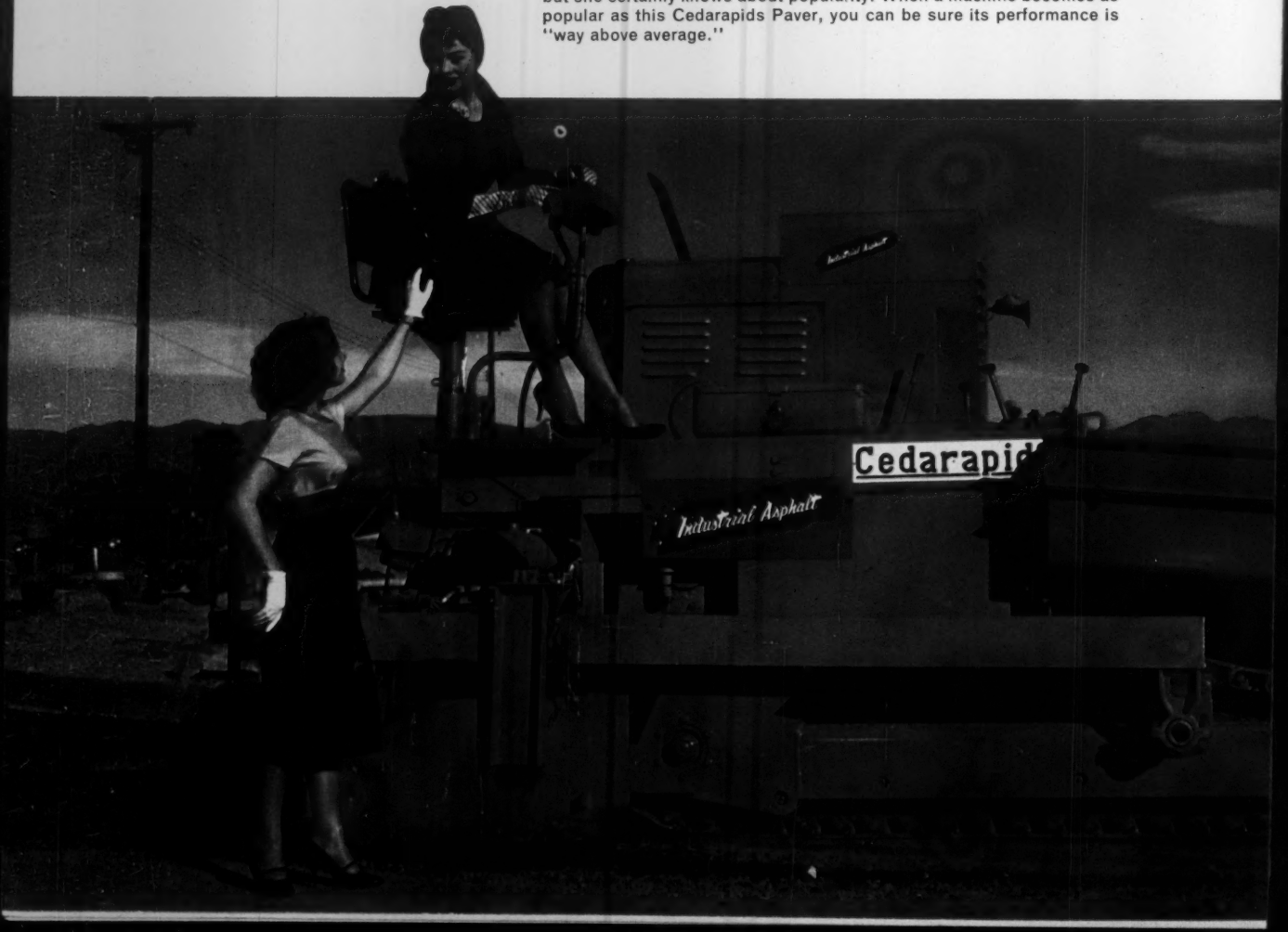

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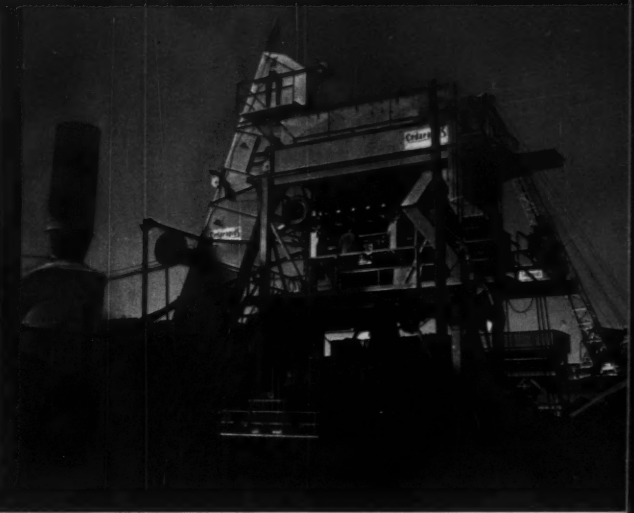

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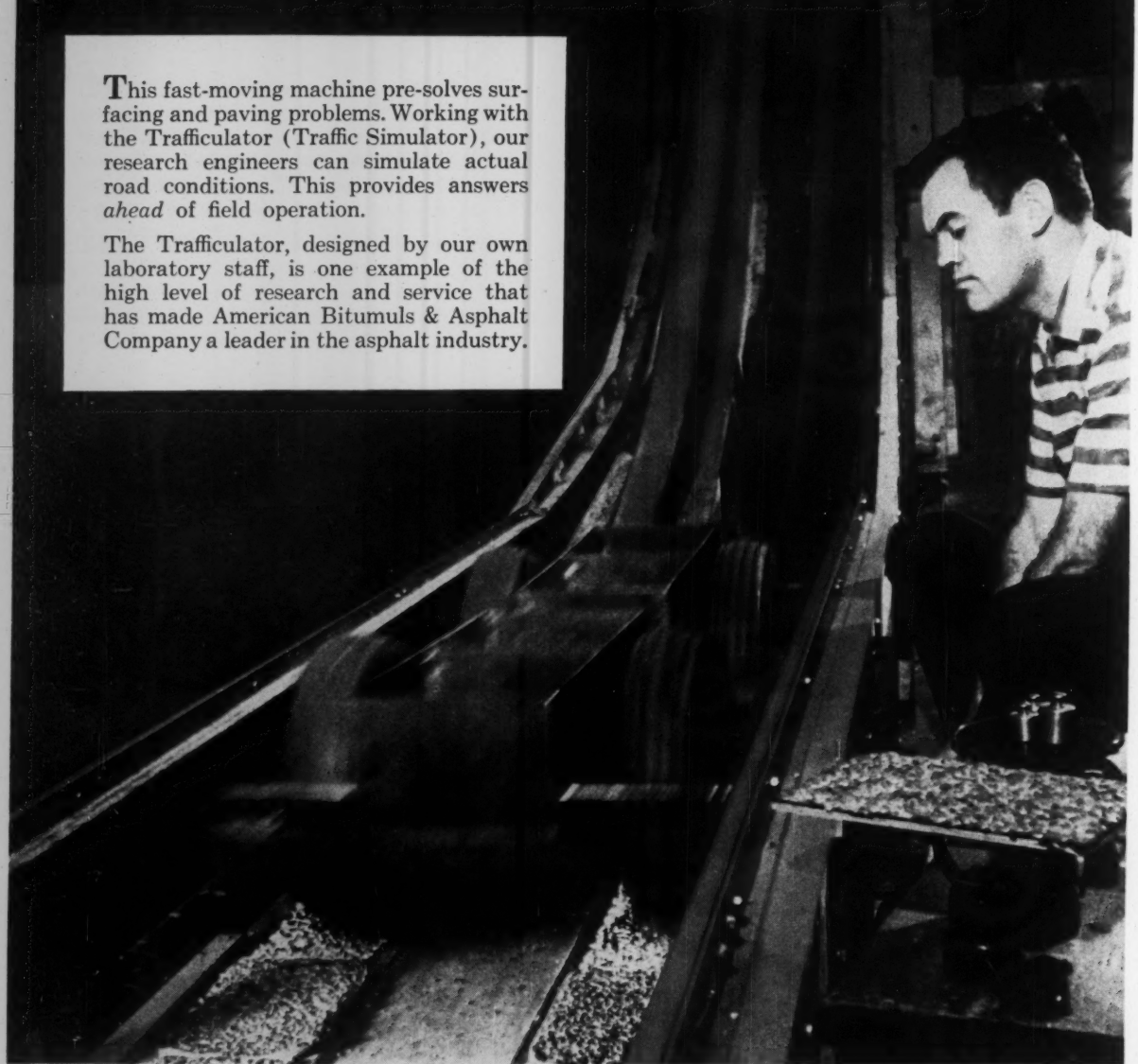

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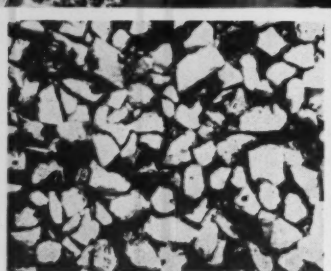

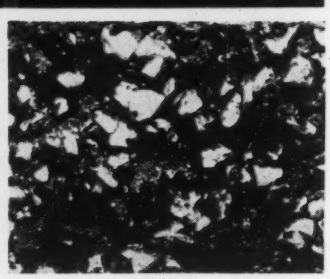

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Other specifications include the frame of welded ¼-in. steel plate; 4x8 pneumatic traction-type tires; digging chain with easily detachable cutters; and permanently sealed roller bearings. Shipping weight is 1,100 lb. The Brown Manufacturing Co., Inc., Woodbine, Iowa.

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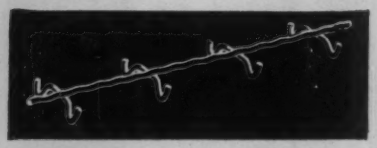

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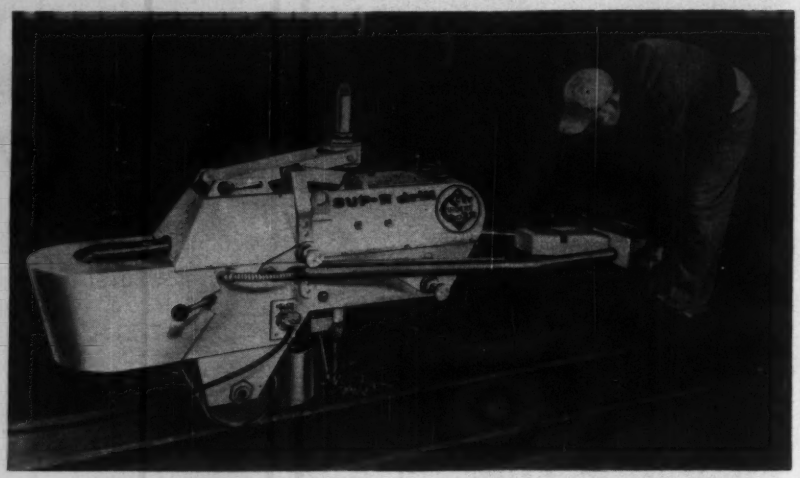

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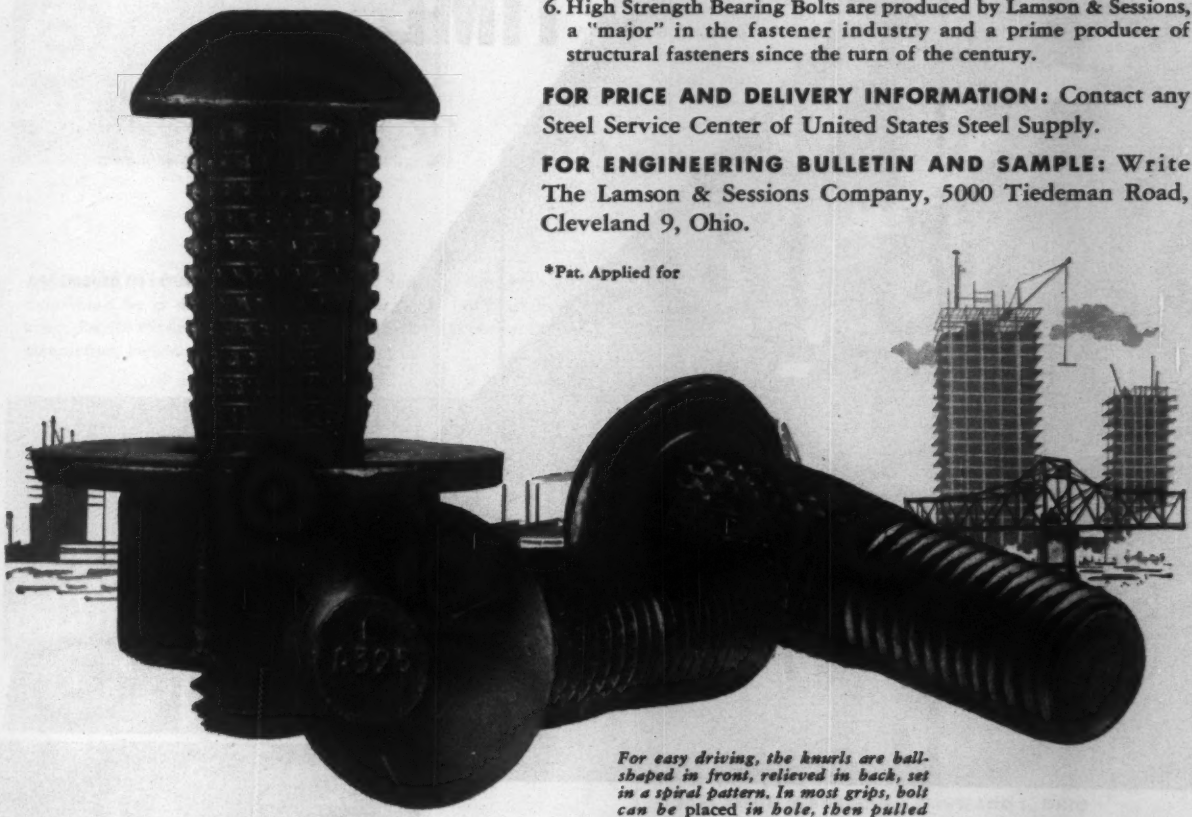

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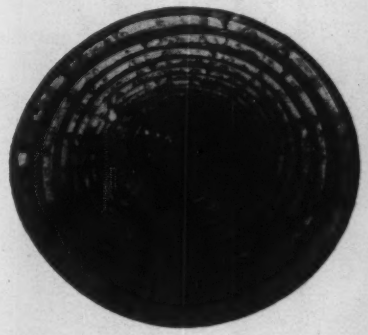

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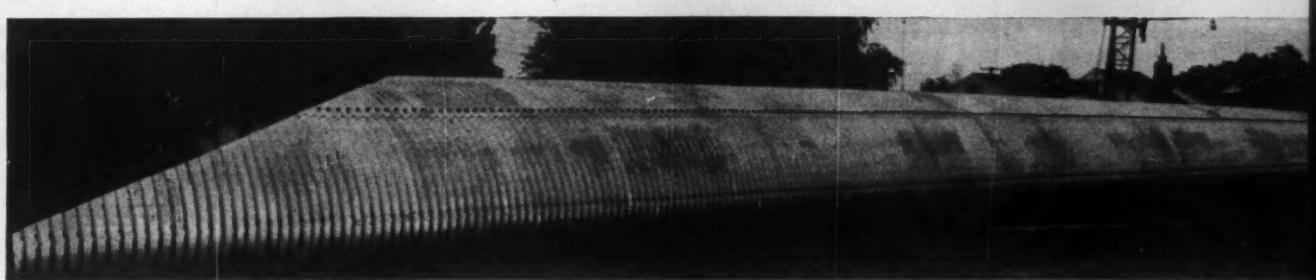

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The new president of the Society of American Military Engineers has an ideal background for this interservice organization. Maj. Gen. Augustus M. Minton, the Air Force's Director of Civil Engineering, began his military in the Army's Corps of Engineers. Now he works with both the Army Engineers and the Navy's Bureau of Yards and Docks on the construction of Air Force installations.

General Minton's job takes him not only beyond service boundaries, but over international boundaries. He's in charge of maintenance and operations at an Air Force installation of one kind or another, from a simple weather station to a complex ballistic missile base, in just about every country in the free world.

The Air Force inventory of real property is valued at about $11 billion, greater than the combined inventory of American Telephone & Telegraph, General Motors, Ford, Chrysler, General Electric and Union Carbide & Carbon Corp., six largest corporations in U. S.

Almost $750 million is spent each year on Air Force construction. Members of the Directorate of Civil Engineering also "monitor" an annual expenditure of another $750 million for maintenance and operation of facilities.

More than 100,000 persons work in Air Force Civil Engineering, 2,000 officers, 39,000 airmen and 59,000 civilians. Their job is to program military construction, establish design specifications and criteria, design facilities, monitor construction, maintain and operate facilities, and acquire and dispose of real estate.

"One of our biggest jobs is maintenance," says General Minton, a businesslike man who has more the demeanor of a partner in a successful consulting firm than of a wild-blue-yonder general. "We've got this facility spread over the free world. It includes everything from gravel roads to intricate radar bases. Some of the stations are in remote spots that offer difficult logistics problems. Spare parts can't always be turned up over night.

"Most of our installations were built during the past eight years. Now they're beginning to show wear. Maintenance calls for a real effort on the part of first-class engineers. We've got 100,000 people authorized and we can do the job if they are properly trained, guided and motivated."

Since he took command of the Air Force civil engineers in 1957, General Minton has been pushing a program designed to upgrade Air Force engineering, a plan that embraces training, guidance and motivation. He is working to have every engineer in his command licensed as a professional engineer.

"I've been emphasizing registration for military and civilian engineers in the Air Force, because I think it is the most important thing they can do to enhance the prestige of their profession, their service and themselves," says General Minton.

"Registration implies prestige, stature, self respect and the other elements of a true profession. I believe there is one other important element, motivation.

"Why is enrollment in engineering schools increasing in Russia and decreasing here? It's because engineers are persons of stature there. You know the positions we (engineers) hold in the eyes of the community. Conversely, you know of the great strides made in engineering education in Russia. It is in terms of dedication and motivation that they are surpassing us."

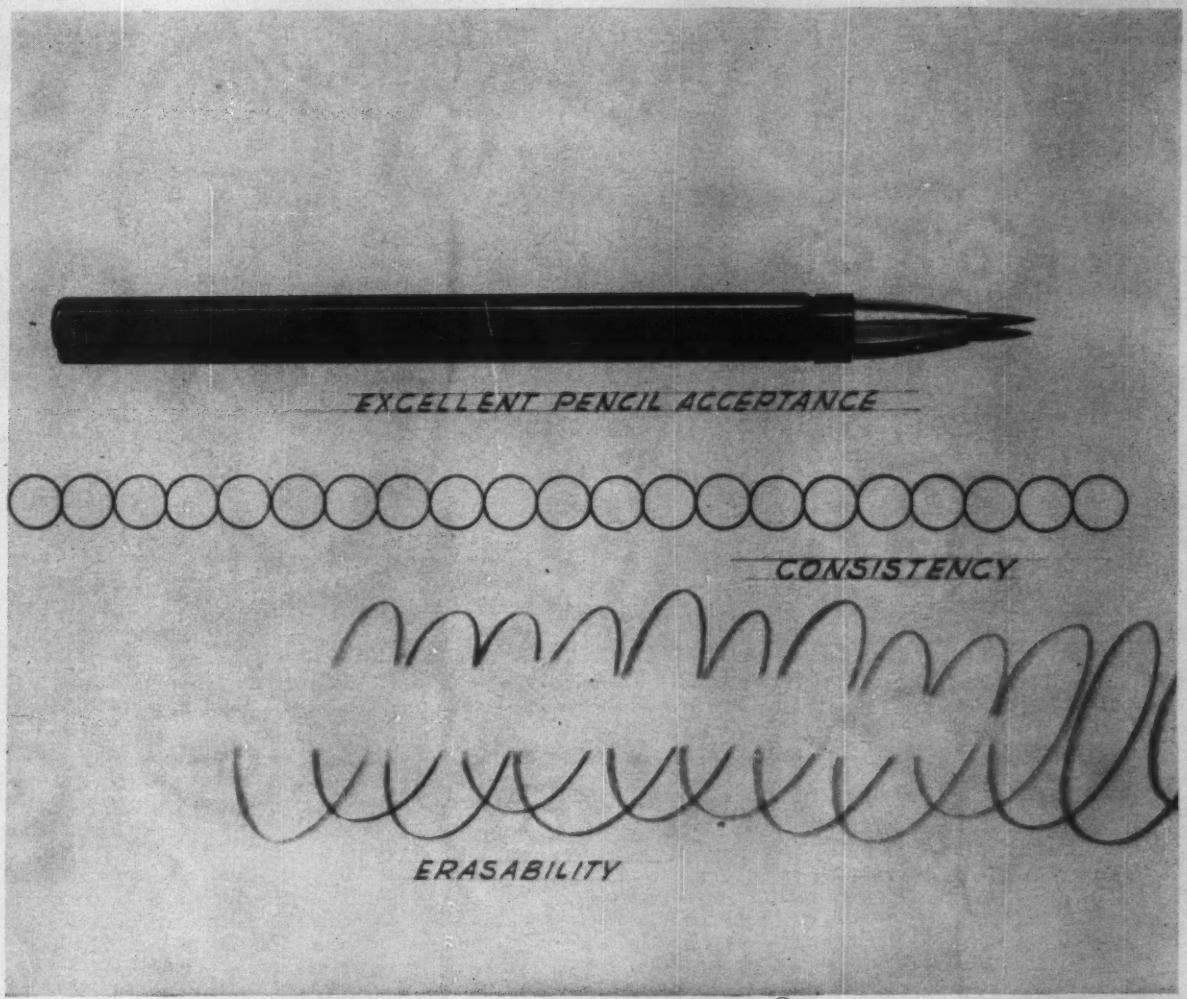
"Perhaps it's in terms of dedication and motivation that we, as engineers, are really lacking. Students reflect the motivations and enthusiasms of their professors and young engineers reflect those of the persons they work for. The Russians are using this to build a solid engineering capability. Unless we match them, we'll be in real trouble in five or ten years. It will be a scientific world in 1970."

Two years ago the Air Force's Directorate of Civil Engineering had a 100% increase in its number of registered engineers and last year the rise was 50%.

General Minton won registration as a civil engineer and as a mechanical engineer in the District of Columbia only recently. "It took quite a bit of work," he says, "I put it off much too long."

He studied engineering at the University of Illinois. When he graduated in 1933, he was commissioned a reserve lieutenant in the Corps of Engineers. That commission was a bit of misdirection that took eight years to adjust.

"When I was at the University of



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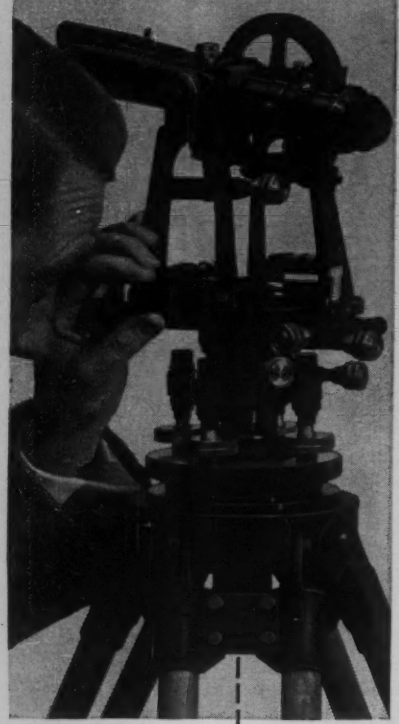

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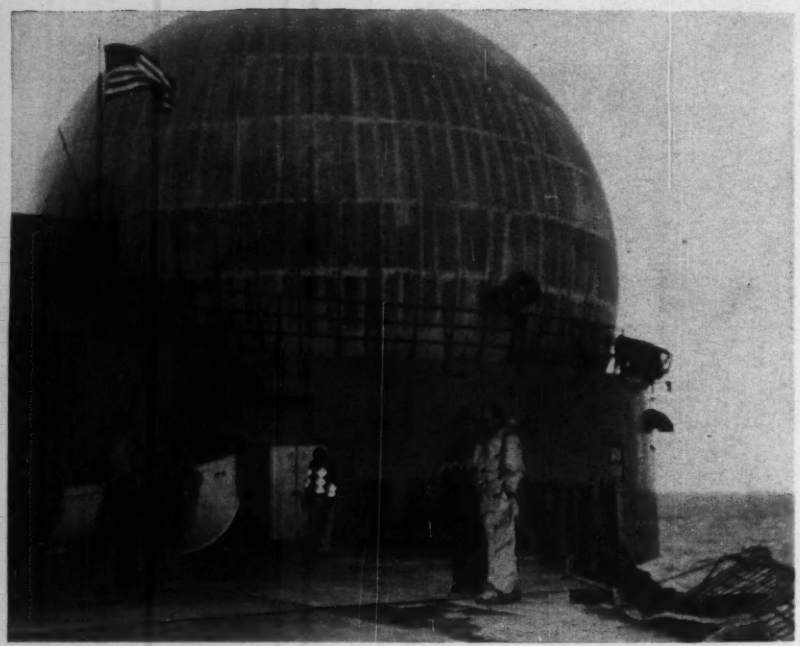

TEXAS TOWER RADAR STATION, a solitary sentinel in the Atlantic, is one of the many isolated Air Force installations General Minton and his civil engineers look after.

Illinois I wanted to get in the Air Corps, wanted nothing more than to be a flier," he says, grinning at his early naivete. "I went in one noon to register for the military and there was no one around but a fat master sergeant—I still remember his name.

"I told him I wanted to get into the Air Corps and be a pilot. He said I was just the man he was looking for, that he would take good care of me. He had me sign this form and that form and I went away. A few days later I found I was in the Engineers."

He entered active service in 1935, planning to make the Army a career. In 1941 he switched to the Air Corps. During World War II he served at a number of bases and headquarters in the Air Training Command doing personnel work and administration. He was made commander of Chanute Air Force Base, Ill., in 1954. He is one of two non-rated (not a pilot) Air Force generals ever to command a base. He tried repeatedly to get into pilot training, but his eyesight wasn't up to Air Force physical standards. He was successful, however, in applying for a year of training at Harvard University in 1947-1948 and graduated with a M.S. degree from the Graduate School of Business.

In 1957 he became the seventh director of Air Force Civil Engineering since 1947, when the Air Force became a separate military unit. One of his moves in establishing identity of his engineers was to change the Air Force term for officers charged with construction and maintenance from "installation officers" to "civil engineering officers."

They are not all civil; perhaps the civils are outnumbered by the other branches. But there's significance in the choice of civil engineering to describe the general function of these Air Force officers.

Since the Air Force was separated from the Army 13 years ago, the Corps of Engineers or the Navy's Bureau of Yards and Docks have acted as contracting agencies for major Air Force construction. Air Force Regional Civil Engineers, counterparts of the Army's District Engineers, monitor the work and are responsible for general policy guidance on all the phases of engineering work.

No matter who handles the work, the Air Force will continue to have a lot of it. The base-building program for intercontinental ballistic missiles is picking up speed and will grow rapidly until some other weapon is developed as the answer to the nation's defense needs. The advent of the ICBM also means that few, if any more, conventional bases will be built. Those in existence can handle whatever aircraft are likely to be developed. Because the Atlas, Titan and Minuteman can reach almost half-way around the world, there will be fewer contracts for overseas bases.

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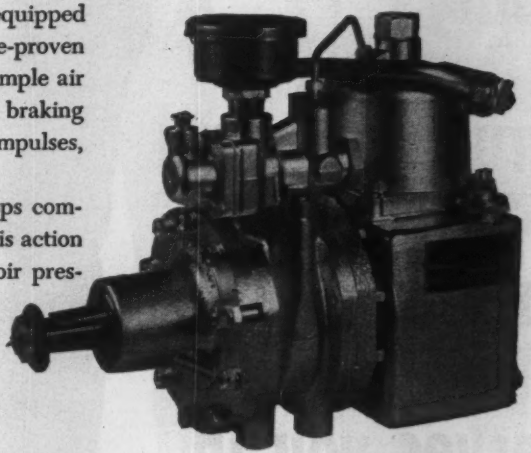

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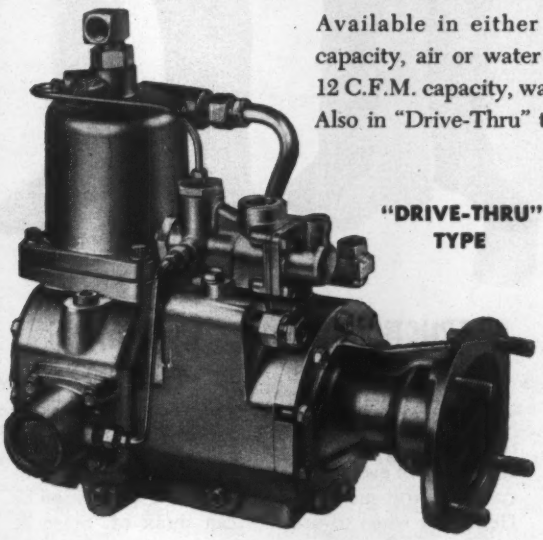

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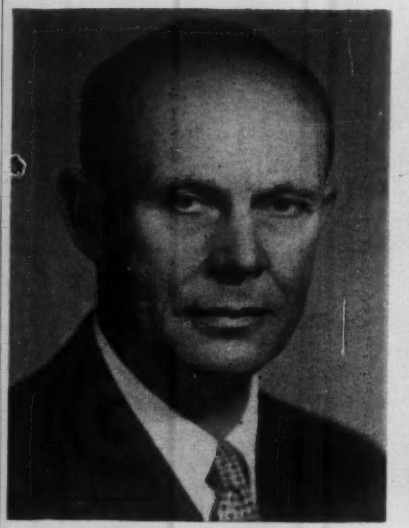

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Chiefs at Raymond International

Henry C. Boschen has been elected president of Raymond International, Inc., succeeding George F. Ferris, who moves to chairman of the board.

Mr. Boschen started with Raymond in 1928 and has been a vice president and director since 1946. He has recently been in charge of the corporation's many general contracting activities under way in the U. S. and abroad.

Mr. Ferris joined the company as vice president, general manager and a member of the board in 1946. He was elected president in 1953.

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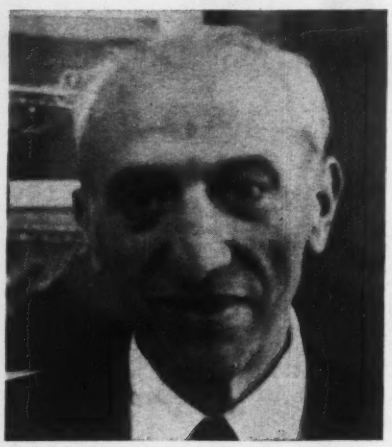
Fine Retires from American Bridge



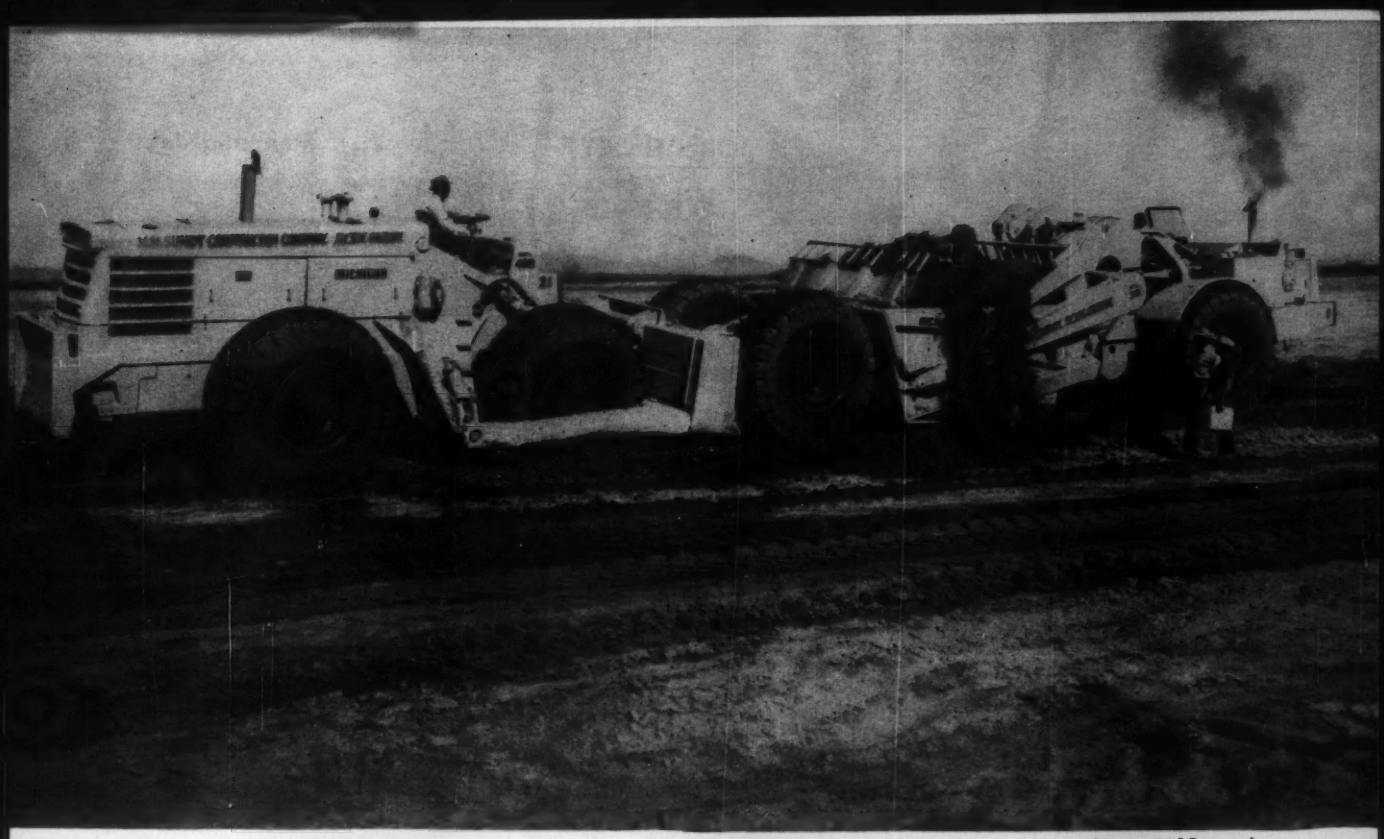
After 44 years with the American Bridge Division of U. S. Steel—for the past 25 years its New York District construction manager—David S. Fine will retire on June 1. During all of this period he has played a prominent part on many of the New York area's famous bridges and buildings.

In the late 20's Mr. Fine was resident engineer on the Kill van Kull steel arch, longest in the world, and on the Jersey City section of the Pulaski Skyway. Later, as district manager, he supervised the erection of such notable steel bridges as the Henry Hudson hingeless arch, the Marine Parkway lift bridge, the Bronx Whitestone suspension bridge, and the Tappan Zee bridge on the New York Thruway, as well as the spinning of the cables for the Triborough Bridge.

In the building field, he supervised the erection of the Trylon and Perisphere at the 1939 New York World's Fair, the United Nations Building, the Socony Mobile Building and the anthe erection of the Trylon and Peritenna atop the Empire State Building.

Current jobs that he has started include the cables and floor system for the Throggs Neck Bridge, a new Delaware River crossing at Delair, Pa., the Union Carbide Building, the First National City Building and the Equitable Life Building.

Mr. Fine went to work for American Bridge immediately after graduating in civil engineering from the University of Pennsylvania in 1916.



600 hp Michigan Dozer heaps 29 yd Michigan Scraper in 35 seconds,

New machines, new ideas increase production 20%

5 Michigan Tractor Scrapers and a 600 hp Michigan Tractor Dozer, on Southwest Interstate job, move 8,750 tons daily

Some new equipment and some unusual techniques are helping M. M. Sundt Construction Co., Tucson, Arizona, get an important 20% increase in production.

The new equipment includes *five* 375 hp, 29 yd Michigan Tractor Scrapers and a big *600 hp*, 104,000 lb, Model 480 Michigan Tractor Dozer. The Scrapers are being push-loaded by the Dozer with an average of *35 tons in 35 seconds*... this weight is extremely accurate since *each load is being weighed*, according to Arizona state regulations, by a state representative on a truck-type platform scale.

Borrow sprinkled 7 days

The unusual techniques were developed to speed dirtmoving and to more easily meet strict compaction specs. For example, before digging starts, the dry, sun-baked borrow area is laced with perforated pipe. Water sprinkles out night and day for about a week. Once the soil is saturated seven to nine feet deep, Sundt turns off the water, removes the pipe, brings in his earthmoving machines. Pre-wetting, say men on the job—a 5.3 mile, $1,031,000 section of Tucson-Benson Interstate Highway—makes for easier loading. It also has eliminated the clutter of water wagons and motor graders and extra sheepsfoot rollers which previously kept scrapers waiting in line to unload.

Load at 7½ mph

With the Michigan Scrapers, loading of the damp 2800 lb/yd silty caliche mixture is done in second gear (7½ mph). Scrapers power-shift instantly to third (15 mph) as they're shoved off . . . move to and from the fill at speeds up to 30 mph. The result is 50 two-mile cycles *per Scraper* per 8-hour shift . . . 8,750 tons total . . . 20% more paydirt than previously moved by same size fleet of another make.

"The Monster"

The Michigan Model 480 Tractor Dozer is proving a remarkable pusher. The men have dubbed it The Monster. "It sure has power!" says Clay Smith, operator. "It loads these big Scrapers fast (usually in second gear 7½ mph)... backs up fast . . . goes from one borrow area to another fast (15 to 28 mph)."

Built-in scarifier

Where borrow is tight and tough, an optional Model 480 attachment, blade-mounted scarifier teeth boost production. When dozing or pushing forward, these teeth fold up, out of the way. But on return operator drops blade, teeth jut out and rip 8 inches deep . . . just right for the next scraper pass.

Michigan units like these are helping dirtmovers all over the country boost production. Three Scraper models—10½, 19, 29 yds—four Dozers—162, 262, 375, 600 hp—are now available. Your Michigan Distributor will be glad to show them to you.

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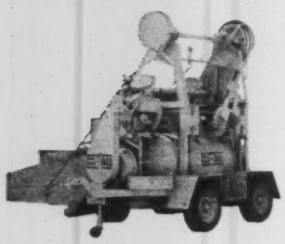

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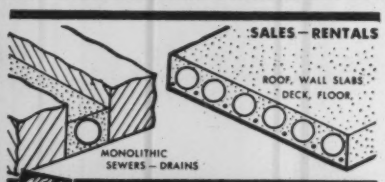

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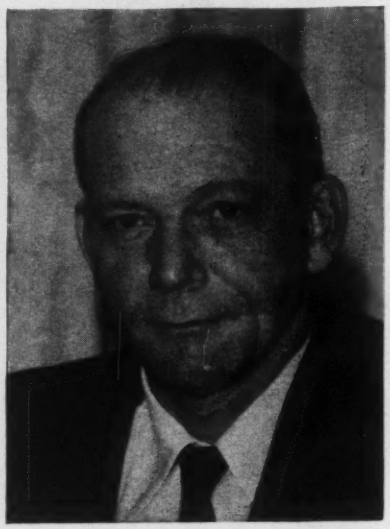

A. K. Allen Gets Post At Blount Brothers

Blount Brothers Construction Co., Atlanta, Ga., has announced the appointment of Alfred K. Allen as vice president and manager of the heavy construction division.

Prior to joining Blount, Mr. Allen served as vice president and manager of all domestic heavy construction for Utah Construction Co., San Francisco, Calif.

A native of Birmingham and a graduate civil engineer from Auburn University, Mr. Allen gained wide experience in construction during World War II. He served two and one-half years in India, Burma and China on airfields and the famed Ledo Road. He was also construction quartermaster and area engineer on the $19-million general office area and warehouse of the Atlanta General Depot.

His later experience includes commercial and industrial plants, housing projects, steam plants, warehouses, office buildings and bridges.

Careers

George E. Holbrook, a vice president, director and executive committee member of E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., has been elected vice president of Engineers Joint Council. Mr. Holbrook succeeds **Cecil Boling,** who has resigned for personal reasons.

Ivar Paulsen has become an associate in the New York office of John Graham and Co., Architects & Engineers.

Albert F. Dagit, Philadelphia architect, has formed his own firm, Dagit Associates. His two sons, **Albert, Jr.** and **Daniel** will be active in the organization.

Strips 2500 yds of asphalt in 8 hours

262 hp Michigan Tractor Shovel helps V. Ottilio cut costs 50%

All over the country, enterprising contractors are finding Michigan Tractor Shovels can effectively handle jobs once considered much too tough for rubber-tired equipment.

Here's a case in point.

V. Ottilio & Sons, Paterson, New Jersey, widening and resurfacing a 2½ mile stretch of U.S. Route 46 near Paterson, used one of their five Michigans, a 262 hp Model 275A, with 22,000 lb lift capacity and 4½ yd bucket, to rip up and load old pavement . . . plus handle excavation for the new roadbed.

Pavement handled, mostly asphalt shoulder cover, averaged 4 to 6 inches thick—up to 9 inches in some places—weighed about 3200 lbs per cubic yard. Ottilio found the big Michigan, working alone, *handled the job 50% cheaper* than could a combination of machines.

Michigan replaces swing shovel, crawlers

Before the Michigan started work, Ottilio tried a 1¾ yd swing shovel and a pair of crawler pushers. Production was good, but not good enough. So, for more loading capacity, in came the Michigan. It worked so well, the other rigs were taken off the job. Then, contractors thought they'd speed things still further by adding a 45,000-lb-class crawler. This move proved unnecessary! The increase was so small the crawler was retired *and the Michigan did the entire job!*

Versatile unit handles topsoil, old pavement, rough-grading

First, the 28 mph Tractor Shovel placed barricades and flashing-light stanchions. Then it stripped and truck-loaded top soil. Next, it broke out and loaded 4 lanes of old pavement. Next came excavation and loading out of all dirt in the center island. Last, the Michigan rough-graded sub-base for the new 6-lane highway to 12 inches below existing grade. Stripping and loading production ran as high as 3,000 bank yards in 8 hours. It averaged 180 truckloads, 2,500 yards a day—compared to 1,500 yards the old way.

Like Ottilio & Sons, *many* Michigan owners are finding this Tractor Shovel will improve production on jobs never before tried on rubber. For proof, ask your Michigan Distributor to demonstrate. You name the job!

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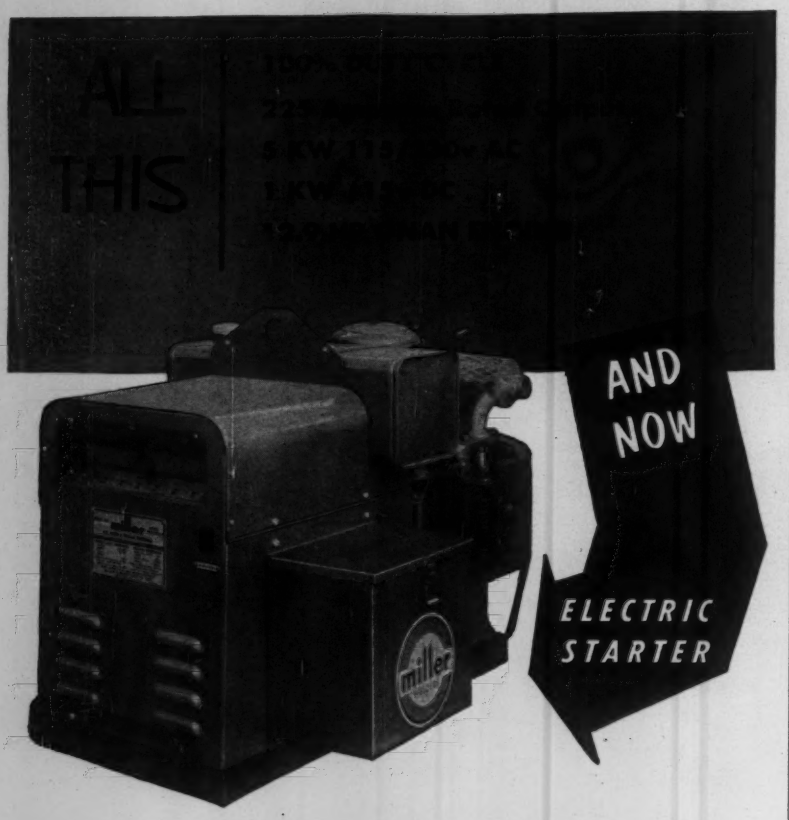

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Emil F. Vranich announces the formation of a consulting engineering firm, Emil F. Vranich & Associates. They will specialize in building design, foundation engineering, construction supervision and general civil engineering services in Milwaukee and vicinity.

Henry G. Meier has joined Monical & Wolverton, Indianapolis engineers and architects, as head of the architectural department.

Frank B. Sarles announces the inclusion of two of his engineers in his consulting practice in Santa Rosa, Calif. They are **Walter E. Brelje** and **William B. Race,** giving the company name Sarles, Brelje & Race.

Thompson-Starret Construction Co., New York City, has appointed **M. John Mee** as president. Mr. Mee was formerly construction manager of Fred J. Brotherton Co., Hackensack, N. J., and Harrisburg, Pa.

Robert E. Meyer, formerly with Stevens & Thompson, Portland consulting engineers, has opened his own consulting engineering office in Beaverton, Ore., where he will specialize in sanitary and municipal engineering and land development.

A. Bruce Onderdonk and **Robert P. Lathrop** have formed the consulting structural engineering firm, Onderdonk & Lathrop, Glastonbury, Conn.

C. M. Spainhour announces his resignation as president of Airways Engineering Corp., in Washington, D. C., to open his own consulting engineering office there. He will specialize in harbor and airfield improvement.

Thomas S. George, Jr., William B. Miles and **Victor W. Buhr** have formed a partnership for the general practice of architecture and engineering. The firm, named George, Miles & Buhr, will be headquartered in Salisbury, Md.

John F. Wich has been elected president of Lardner & Wich, Inc., Baltimore construction and engineering firm. He replaces **Michael V. Lardner** who remains as chairman of the board.

Gunnar Birkerts and **Frank Straub** have announced their partnership under the name of Birkerts & Straub, Architects, Birmingham, Mich. Both were until recently principals of Minoru Yamasaki & Associates in Detroit.

Richard J. Canavan, director of the construction department of the National Association of Home Builders, has resigned to become a homebuilder. He will join the newly organized firm of Unibuilt Components Co., Omaha, Neb. as general manager of the company.

William A. Robinson has been elected a director of Dravo Corp., to fill the unexpired term of **William K. Fitch,** who has retired.

Speed was the answer to lost time caused by rain. Pushing in both directions at 4 mph...

Michigan Dozer loads 832 yds/hr

The forecast was for rain...and more rain. Same forecast yesterday . . . and the day before . . . and the week before. Already, Anderson Earth Construction Co, Calgary, Alberta, had lost 25 shifts. Even worse, only 40 shifts or so were left before freezeup. The job—500,000 yds of borrow, plus 40,000 yds of common excavation on a 3.14 mile stretch of new Highway #2 south of Calgary—*just had to be completed!*

Fleet includes two Michigan Scrapers

Even under this pressure, William Anderson, owner-manager of the firm, had a team he felt confident of—two 19 yd Michigan Tractor Scrapers, two 18 yd units and a rubber-tired 262 hp Michigan Tractor Dozer. Speed was the factor, felt Mr. Anderson, which could get the job done. "Basically," he says, "our confidence was founded on a loading method made possible by the dozer."

This Michigan, like all Michigans, had the same gears, and speeds, both forward and reverse. Equipped with a pusher-block in the rear, it could push either direction with the full power of its 262 hp engine equipped with torque converter. Thus, by loading scrapers in alternate directions, all turns and all backup time would be saved.

Average load time —35 seconds

And so the final phases of the wet job proceeded. Load times in the water-soaked clay ranged from 25 to 45 seconds. Most pushes were made in second gear, averaging 4 mph. Loads averaged 14 to 15 pay yds. Even in this slippery footing, the Tractor Dozer with 29.5-25 hydroflated tires, four wheel drive, and a working weight of 56,680 lbs, had plenty of traction.

Dozer services 4 scrapers despite hauls under 1000 ft

Michigan serviced four scrapers, one more than usual, even though most hauls were under 1,000 ft one-way. Cross-sections showed it loaded 832 pay yards per hour throughout standard 12-hour shifts. Alternating directions of push had the advantage of cutting waiting time; also the apparent disadvantage of virtually eliminating time for operator to rest. Even so, because of its ease of operation, the Michigan Dozer and its one operator produced as much their 12th hour of work as their first—an average of 10,000 pay yds per day.

Perhaps a Michigan Tractor Dozer could speed production on *your* job. There are four models to choose from—162 to 600 hp. Also, check the matched Michigan Tractor Scrapers—same basic power train design, same engines, same controls. Call us for a no-obligation demonstration.

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New Stow Hy-Cycle Vibrator Delivers *Twice* As Much Agitation as 60-Cycle Types!

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Striking demonstration of Stow's Hy-Cycle Vibrator power showed up on the site of Hoffman Construction's job for the City of Portland, Oregon.

Concrete walls and columns were specified for the new Municipal Recreation Center. Plans called for Walls 12" thick, 16' high, 150' long and Finish Columns using 2½" slump, 1" aggregate concrete mix with Pozzolith and air-entrained additives combined.

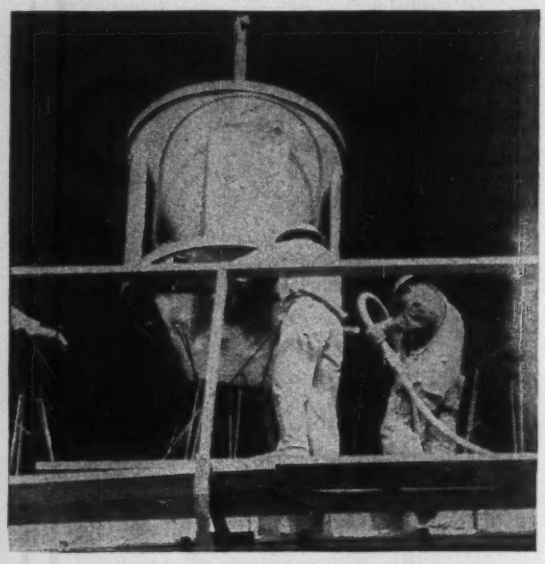
In constant operation 12 hours a day, the Hy-Cycle Vibrator thoroughly vibrated the stiff mix; agitating, compacting, eliminating voids and pockets. The result? Top-strength walls, smooth-finish columns—on schedule. No need here to patch and grout!

Hoffman Superintendent Ross Vickers says, "This job proved to us that Stow Hy-Cycle Vibrators are the most economical, smoothest operating vibrators we've ever used!"

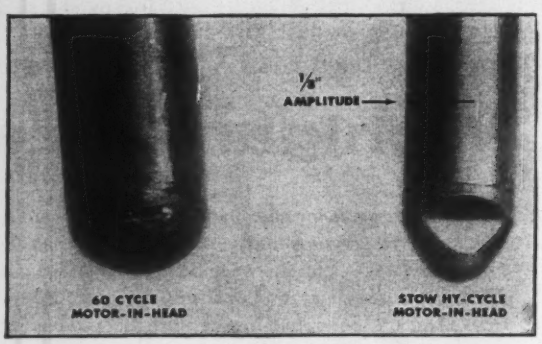
WHY THE DIFFERENCE? Stow's Hy-Cycle motor-in-head unit has ⅛" amplitude while the 60-cycle motor-in-head unit has 1/16 inch. And Stow's Hy-Cycle vibrators have the power to maintain this amplitude even in the stiffest mixes!

ADJUSTABLE SPEED Vibrations-per-minute can be set to suit the job by varying the HC Generator's engine speed. High speeds give you more power for dry, coarse mixes; slower speeds deliver reduced power for wet mixes, thin walls and light weight forms.

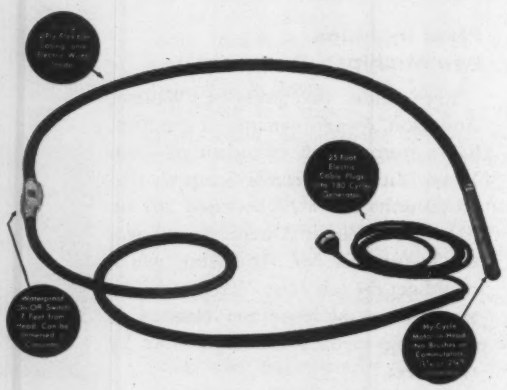
VIBRATOR MOTOR-IN-HEAD The Hy-Cycle motor is hermetically sealed within the Vibrator Head. No brushes or commutators to wear out, thus enabling Stow to design High Amplitude into the Heads.



Stow Hy-Cycle Vibrator Model 175
Agitating Concrete Mix in Wall Forms.



Hy-Cycle Vibrator Head and 60-Cycle Head Pictured at 10,000 VPM in Air. Note Greater Amplitude (Radial distance Head moves from Center Line) of H-C Model, ⅛", as Compared to 1/16" of 60-Cycle Model.



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Conduit from Whale Rock Dam

About 18 miles of 30-in. and 24-in. modified prestressed concrete cylinder pipe, and appurtenances, will go into the conduit to convey water from Whale Rock Dam, at Cayucos, Calif., to the city of San Luis Obispo.

Contractors were invited to bid on three pipe alternates. The first alternate was on modified prestressed concrete cylinder pipe, with rubber gasket joints. The other two alternates were for a pipeline constructed of electric-fusion-welded steel pipe—the first with rubber gasket joints and the second with welded slip joints.

Thirteen bidders priced the prestressed concrete cylinder pipe. The State Department of Water Resources, Sacramento, awarded the contract on that alternate, at $1,743,361, to N. P. Van Valkenburgh Co., Inc., bidding with Gunther & Shirley Co., El Monte, Calif.

The quantities given in the abstract are approximate. The Department of Water Resources reserves the right to increase or decrease the amount of any class or portion of the work, or to omit such portions as the engineer may deem necessary or desirable.

Concrete must contain a minimum of 5 sacks of cement per cu yd, and the water-cement ratio must not exceed 0.55 by weight.

Prevailing wages include: carpenter, $3.80; pipelayer for all non-metallic pipe, $3.29; tractor operator, including bulldozers, $4.06; trenching machine operator, $3.87; universal equipment operator—shovel, backhoe, dragline, derrick, clamshell or crane, $4.16; general laborer, $2.98.

The contractor must furnish all materials. Only truck transportation is accessible to the site.

The bidding on this conduit included:

1C N. P. VanValkenburgh & Co., Inc., and Gunther & Shirley Co., El Monte, Calif.	$1,743,361
2 R. V. Lloyd & Co., Coachella, Calif.	1,782,171
13 Geo. M. Brewster & Son, Inc., Bogota, N. J..	2,718,905

Bids: 2-10-60 Items	Unit	Quantity	Unit Prices 1 C	2
Trench excavation, uncl	cy	81,000	$0.83	$0.77
backfill, common	cy	56,400	0.55	0.54
select	cy	17,000	3.82	3.69
Rock refill	cy	320	9.00	9.50
Steel pipe, elec fusion weld, cmt mortar lined, syn enam ctd, w welded slip joints, 30" ID, stl sht, 10 ga	lf	130	21.00	18.20
8 ga	lf	110	22.00	19.17
stl plate,3/16"	lf	200	23.00	20.37
1/4"	lf	320	28.00	25.45
5/16"	lf	40	42.00	39.46
24" ID, stl sht, 10 ga	lf	3,000	15.50	11.30
stl plate, 1/4"	lf	380	28.00	23.65
Bids: 2-10-60 Items	Unit	Quantity	Unit Prices 1 C	2
Pipe outlets, threaded, 2"	ea	57	$19.00	$16.54
3"	ea	13	23.00	22.05
flanged, 6"	ea	61	66.00	61.74
12"	ea	2	208.00	198.43
20"	ea	8	440.00	424.85
8"	ea	*5	118.00	113.55
12"	ea	*2	258.00	248.04
Valve assembly, air release	ea	57	121.00	100.00
comb air release & intake	ea	14	166.00	167.50
Blowoff assembly, type I	ea	17	403.00	513.05
type II	ea	43	305.00	343.50
type III	ea	9	718.00	690.00
type IV	ea	1	400.00	467.00
Mech couplings for stl pipe, 30" ID, non-insulating	ea	32	81.00	170.00
insulating	ea	15	125.00	240.00
24" ID, non-insulating	ea	2	75.00	175.00
insulating	ea	2	125.00	280.00
Concrete	cy	230	85.00	138.00
Reinforcing steel	lb	7,600	0.20	0.20
Welded stl, cmt mortar lined & ctd, reducer, 30"-20" ID	ea	1	590.00	430.00
enlarger, 20"-24" ID	ea	1	400.00	245.00
Flange & mech coupling assembly, 20"	ls	job	475.00	407.00
Vib sand backfill for support of substructures	cy	140	9.00	8.25
Asphaltic resurf, temporary	t	400	12.00	14.00
permanent	t	500	13.00	20.15
House sew conn, reconstruct	ea	28	150.00	117.00
Jacked casing	lf	110	80.00	91.00
Metering & deliv structs, Cherro-lateral	ls	job	11,000	18,200
Calif St Polytechnic Coll	ls	job	5,500	6,700
San Luis Obispo	ls	job	7,900	8,250
Butterfly valve, 20"	ea	1	1,250	1,085
Test station, corrosion	ea	13	95.00	85.00
insulation joint	ea	15	133.00	106.00
Bond station	ea	5	96.00	85.00
Valve vault	ea	1	822.00	505.00
Mod prstr conc cyl pipe, rub gasket jt, 30" ID, cl 230	lf	14,000	13.40	13.33
cl 240	lf	1,500	13.65	13.55
cl 260	lf	2,600	14.00	13.89
cl 280	lf	2,700	14.35	14.29
cl 300	lf	1,800	14.70	14.96
cl 320	lf	5,800	15.00	14.90
cl 340	lf	3,300	15.35	15.29
cl 360	lf	4,800	15.70	15.63
cl 380	lf	6,700	16.00	15.97
cl 400	lf	7,100	16.20	16.14
cl 420	lf	3,500	17.00	16.98
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cl 460	lf	2,000	17.70	17.71
cl 480	lf	490	18.00	23.87
cl 500	lf	140	18.20	18.22
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cl 280	lf	630	11.40	11.88
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cl 320	lf	1,200	16.70	17.31
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cl 360	lf	1,800	17.30	17.88
cl 380	lf	1,400	17.85	18.66
cl 400	lf	2,600	18.15	19.00
cl 420	lf	1,000	18.15	19.00
cl 440	lf	3,400	19.55	20.42
cl 460	lf	2,200	19.55	20.42
cl 480	lf	570	21.50	21.47
cmt mortar lined & ctd, w rub gasket jts, 12"ID, steel sheet, 10 ga	lf	4,100	7.00	6.57
Add girth welds for pipe, 30" ID	ea	6	75.00	31.05
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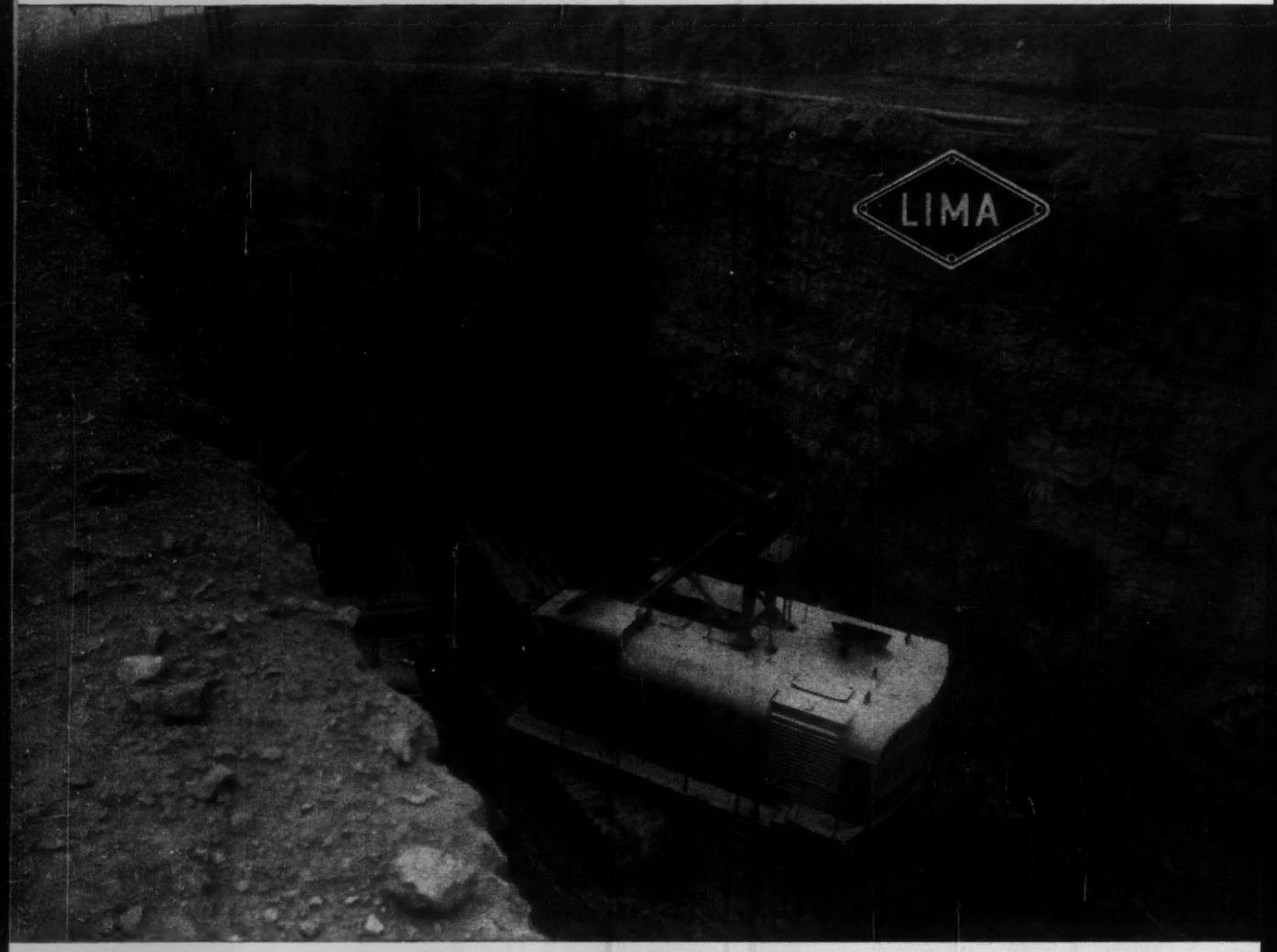

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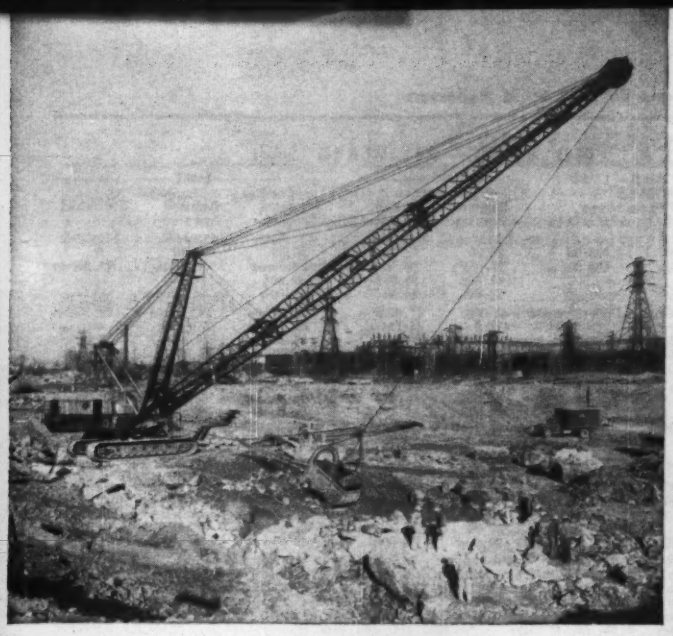

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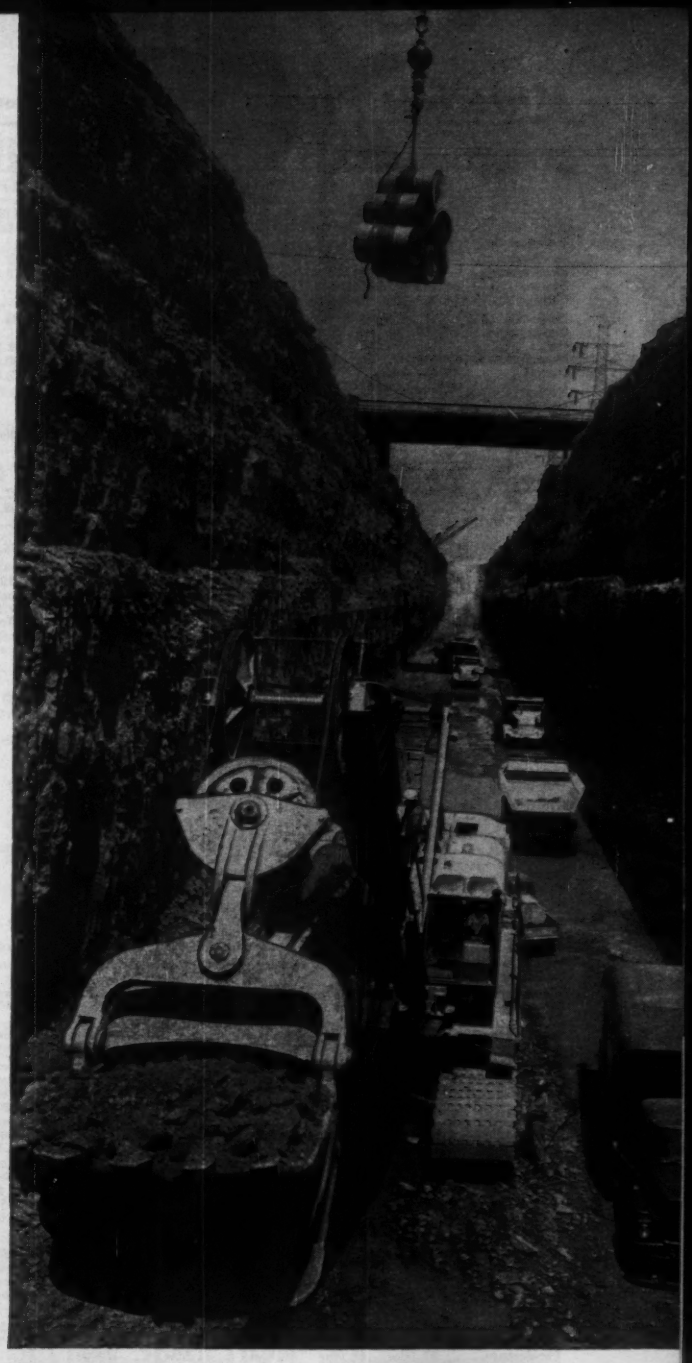

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Atlanta	$186.10ps	$154.95pkkr	$309.90ps	$348.65ps	.....	.....	$33.20uu	$36.70uu	$36.50hh	$28.50hh	$28.50hh
Baltimore	217.00	231.00	434.00	491.00	602.00	690.00	36.00	41.00	35.80	23.40	.....
Birmingham	135.00pss	152.00pss	.....	303.00p	376.00p	465.00p	27.00ff	38.00jj	38.28mm	20.87mm	26.33pmm
Boston	232.00†mm	248.00†mm	463.25†mm	556.00†mm	.....	.....	43.50p	58.00p	42.00§§	34.00§§	.....
Chicago	137.00ll	149.00ll	280.00ll	.....	.....	.....	32.00	34.00	38.00ll	35.20ll	.....
Cincinnati	179.00mmyy	190.00†mmyy	355.00jddmm	390.00†mmyy	422.00†mmyy	500.00†mmyy	48.00jk	47.00jk	29.10†mm	29.10†mm	29.10†mm
Cleveland	205.00tt	219.00tt	.....	465.00tt	.....	709.00tt	41.75tt	45.75ggtt	32.75ptt	28.00ptt	.....
Dallas	155 00	155.00	306.00	370.50	452.25	560 00	30.00	50.00	41.80	34.55	28.50
Denver	170.00	185.00	310.00	310.00	390.00	442.00	35.00zz	54.00	48.00p	42.00p	46.00p
Detroit	257.00mm	274.00mm	514.00mm	582 00mm	767.00mm	876.00mm	53.50pmm	54.00pmm	38.00mm	30.00mm	40.00mm
Kansas City	158.00	158.00	312.00	312.00	400.00	500.00	34.00	34.00	36.26	34.26	29.76
Los Angeles	r	r	r	r	r	r	38.00uu	.....	38.00mmll	38.00mmll	39.00mmll
Minneapolis	208.00pr	225.00pr	452.00pr	225.00pwr	.....	.....	49.00vpr	57.50ypr	40.00bbe	40.00bbe	52.00bbde
Montreal	168.75auqoo	180.93auqoo	325.00auqoo	220.00qoo	400.00qoo	.....	45.25bll	56.30bll	39.00bb	22.00	13.25
New Orleans	198.00	198.00	370.00	370.00	.....	.....	42.00	55.00	44.00	32.00	32.00
New York	185.00h	197.00h	394.00ch	297.00hn	.....	.....	46.00p	.....	40.00p	38.00p	.....
Philadelphia	202.10ss	215.60ss	404.20sszz	485.10ss	.....	.....	42.00mm	50.00mm	40.00mmp	21.50	21.50
Pittsburgh	200 00t	213.00t	400.00t	453.00t	607.00t	693.00t	39.00t	46.00t	38.00t	33.00t	34.00t
St. Louis	180.00mmpp	190.00pp	385.00pp	401.00ppp	459.00pp	621.50pp	44.00mmpp	45.50pp	1.00aapp	.80aapp	1.35aapp
San Francisco	156.85*mm	177.10*mm	235.30dd*mm	159.40ppmm	.....	.....	43.00*mm	43.00*mm	29.24mm	29.24mm	31.74mm
Seattle	235.00pt	270.00pt	490.00pt	265.00pwt	.....	.....	57.00t	71.00t	52.00bbt	38.00bbt	4.50mbbt
Toronto	158.00rr	173.00rr	336.00rr	263.00frr	378.00rr	.....	27.00rr	65.00rr	42.00mm	38.00mm	36.50mm

*§ F.o.b. yard. *• F.o.b. plant Stockton. *† F.o.b. yard Roxbury. *a Smooth. *b $4.50 del. *c 8 x 12 x 12 in.-6 cell. *d Pulverized hot. *e less 5% disc., 10th., 12 x 12. *f 8 x 8 x 12. *g Lumps, $26.72. *h F.o.b. trucks, job site N.Y.C. *i 80 lb sacks. *j Truck load or over. *k $1.00 discount per M, 10 days. *l Red face. *m Per bb 180 lb. processed. *n 7¾ x 7¾ x 12. *o Mason's double hydrated pressure. *p Truck lots. *q Provincial and Municipal tax extra (6%). *r Not used: earthquake danger. *s 8 x 16 x 12. *t less 2% disc., cash. *u Incl. Federal tax. *v Sand lime. *w 5 x 8 x 12. *x dumped. *y Chi common. *z Pebble; 80 lb sack. *aa 50 lb sack. *bb LCL. *dd 8 x 12 x 12. *ff 80% common. *gg Smooth. *hh less 25¢ disc., cash. *ii F.o.b. plant. *jj rough; smooth; $40. *kk 3½ x 11½ x 11½. *ll less 2% disc. 10th. *mm less 2%, 10 days. *nn F.o.b., L. A. *oo less 2%, 30 days. *pp add 2% sales tax. *qq 8 x 5½ x 11½. *rr 2½% disc., 10 days. *ss 5% disc., 10 days. *tt less 2% disc., 15th. *uu less 50¢/M. 10 days *vv 4000 pcs. and over.

PAINT, ROOFING—F. O. B. CARLOAD LOTS

	RED LEAD Per 100 lb. in 600 lb. (Approx.) bbl. F.O.B. Plant Dry a C	WHITE LEAD Per 100 lb. in 100 lb. cases In oil	READY-MIXED PAINT Per gal., drums Graphite b	Aluminum c	Ferric Oxide d	ROOFING SUPPLIES; Carload lots f.o.b. factory Rolls, slate surfaced. 65-90 lb. per sq.	Asphalt felt, per 100 lb.	Tar felt, per 100 lb.	Asphalt coating per gal.	Tar pitch 360 lb. bbl. per ton
Atlanta	$13.75ggJO	$24.00ggJ	$3.59	$3.86	$3.31	$2.90kk	$2.25kk	$2.85kk	$0.67kk	$65.35kk
Baltimore	17.50pp	24.00	3.00	4.40	3.50	3.06	3.67	4.04	.50	54.00
Birmingham	26.00†J	29.00†J	3.90J	3.40J	....	2.95†mm	2.17ii†mm	3.17ii†mm	.70ffmm	48.00eemm
Boston	24.95†ommm	26.90†mmmm	....	....	....	3.70q	2.45g	2.83g	.55g	56.00g
Chicago	15.25rJqqpp	24.00†J	....	....	....	3.45ukk	2.50okk	3.00okk	48.00bbkk	57.70†kk
Cincinnati	15.25†JO	24.00†J	....	....	....	2.87mm	2.02mmm	2.42mmm	.428ymm	55.96Hmm
Cleveland	25.65†	26.90†	2.61qqP	2.78aaqq	3.43qqq	2.74q	2.11o	2.42o	.39g	49.00qg
Dallas	22.50	23.50M	....	3.35B	....	3.00u	3.00o	3.00o	.470	66.00kk
Denver	23.00n	24.00	3.98	5.20	3.70	2.71	1.93o	2.80o	.50ff	50.00
Detroit	15 75r	24.00rr	3.70mm	3.95mm	2.70mm	2.82mm	2.05mmll	2.42mmll	.56fmm	49.00mm
Kansas City	26.90lqqoo	25.65	3.99	3.43	3.01	4.60mm	3.13mmm	3.13mmm	.92y	.....
Los Angeles	16.25yy	22.00	3.30n	4.50n	4.20n	3.40kkk	2.40nnkkk	l	.75nnkkk	l
Minneapolis	16.75N	21.50kk	....	....	....	2.50kk	1.95hikk	2.36hikk	.52ikk	50.00rkk
Montreal	19.45O	26.00wtt	5.52Dffr	6.55aaff	5.10kkffr	5.40	4.65f	4.65f	1.60	4.40uu
New Orleans	23.00Jpp	24.00J	....	....	....	2.78	1.98	2.85	.680	45.50
New York	15.25ooO	29.75	....	....	....	2.79zz	2.05zzo	2.46o	.52s	49.00*
Philadelphia	16.25Omm	24.75mm	3.35mm	3.90mm	2.65Rmm	4.70	3.60	2.85	.515	50.00
Pittsburgh	21.00mqqJ	24.00J	3.20fEJ	2.25fFJ	2.25fGJ	3.57nH	2.75nH	2.95H	.48H	55.00H
St. Louis	25.65†m	26.90	....	....	....	3.28iimmm	2.35hhK	2.82hhK	.43yK	62.00K
San Francisco	26.70mm	26.90mm	3.20mm	4.30mm	3.50mm	2.87mm	1.72aaimmm	2.59mmm	.46jj	54.00
Seattle	13.35HO	24.00H	....	4.19ccffJ	....	3.70qccH	3.06kccH	....	.59cc	....
Toronto	14.70	20 65	5.15J	6.18J	5.95J	3.25	2.75aas	2.75o	1.01J	56.00A

*† Delivered. * Note: Red lead in oil 80% higher than white lead in oil. *• Aver. wt. approx. 425 to 550 lb drums. *a Red lead prices change frequently due to pig lead price changes. *b U.S. War Dept. Spec. 3-49A. *c ASTM Spec. D266-31. *d 80% minimum ferric oxide. *e Per 108 sf roll. *f Per 432 sq ft. *g F.o.b. yard Roxbury. *h Per roll, 65 lb. *i Not carload prices, Minneapolis and vicinity. *j 45 gal containers. *k Over 80% ferric oxide. *l Not used. *m 100 lb. keg. *n F.o.b. city. *o Per 60 lb roll. *p 5-drum, 50 gal each. *q Per 90-lb roll. *r F.o.b. factory, Chicago. *s Truckload. *t Incl. Federal tax. *u Per 90-lb square. *v Per ton. *x Ready-mixed. *y 55-gal container. *z Drums. *aa 15 lb. *bb Roofers coating and cement. *cc LCL, truck delivery. *dd add $1.00 cwt boxing. *ee Asphalt pitch in 100 lb package *ff 5-ga drums. *gg F.o.b. factory. *hh Incl. freight. *ii Per 324 sf roll. *jj Asbestos roof coating. *kk less 2% disc., 10th. *mm less 2% disc., 10 days. *oo 100 lb bbls. *pp 50 or 100 lb bags. *qq 500 lbs or more *rr F.o.b. plant, Detroit. *ss 50 lb bbls. *tt 25 lb kegs. *uu 250 lb bbls. *xx Sept.: Rolls revised to $2.75, Asph. Felt revised to 1.71. *yy Sept. revised to $12.00. * zz Sept. revised to $2.90. *A 400 lb barrels. *B ASTM Spec. D962-49. *C 95%. *D Std. black. *f Milt. spec.: E TTP27; F TTY81; G TTP31. *H less 2% disc., cash. *I Per 100 lb. *J less 1% disc., 10 days. *K add 2% sales tax. *L CL. *M 1 ton or more. *N under 500 lbs. *O 50 lb. bag.

PLASTER, VERMICULITE AND METAL BUILDING SHEETS & TUBING

	PLASTER‡ Neat per ton	Gauging per ton	VERMICULITE‡ Home Insulation pellets	Plaster aggregate	Concrete Aggregate Untreated	PERLITE‡ Plaster Aggregate	Concrete Aggregate Untreated	ALUMINUM SHEET† Flat .100" th 36"x108" & 48"x144" per lbjt	Corr roof .032" th 35"x12' per shu	STAINLESS STEEL† SHEET-TYPE 302g 20 ga 48"x96"-120" per cwthh	28 ga 36"x120" per cwtmm	COPPER WATER* TUBING-TYPE L 2000 ft lots per ft ½"b	½"c
			per bag of 4 cu ft										
Atlanta	$32.00ss	$42.00ss	$1.55ss	$1.65ss	$1.80slss	$1.65ss	$1.65ss	$0.463nnn	$27.17nY	$65.68nzz	$74.43nzz	$0.1762ss	$0.2464ss
Baltimore	24.00	35.70	0.95	1.15	1.15	1.15	1.55	0.462	0.451r	63.00	71.25	0.16	0.23
Birmingham	37.00ss	43.00ss	1.55ss	1.55ss	1.60lss	1.27ss	1.27lss	0.455M	9.62K	65.54K	73.79K	0.20ss	0.27ss
Boston	24.00	30.00	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.55ss	1.55ss	0.462	24.66pAA	64.42ddzz	72.67dd	0.1762ss	0.2464ss
Chicago	26.80tt	26.80tt	1.55	1.60	1.60l	1.60	1.60	0.516x	32.88p	64.15ee	72.40ee	0.1814	0.2545
Cincinnati	23.85*ss	23.85*	1.75*ss	1.75*ss	1.85*ss	1.85ss	1.90ss	0.514	9.21	65.30zz	74.05zz	0.1814ss	0.2545ss
Cleveland	28.00N	45.00N	1.14ss	1.16ss	1.24lss	1.45ss	1.45ss	0.455aa	8.48	63.33oozz	71.58oozz	0.1814tt	0.2545tt
Dallas	30 65	30.65	1.05	1.21	1.37	1.21	1.32	0.463	0.461r	64.09	72.34	0.1668	0.1986
Denver	27.00	27.00	1.50	1.40	1.50	1.50ss	1.60ss	0.475	10.89	65.32gg	73.57gg	0.1772	0.2380
Detroit	28.00ss	28.00ss	1.27ss	1.31ss	1.40ss	1.45kktt	1.50kktt	0.475a	10.35a	63.00zzz*	71.25zzz*	0.2058	0.2887
Kansas City	30.00	35.00	1.19E	1.21E	1.29lE	1.21	....	0.463	24.66ggvvp	67.50E	76.25E	0.1814	0.2545
Los Angeles	27.00tt	28.00tt	1.25kktt	1.20kk	1.45tt	1.11	1.11	0.515	9.77Z	65.02	73.27	0.1814	0.2545
Minneapolis	35 00F	35 00F	1.65tt	1.80F	1.95F	1.40S	1.50S	0.485	16.23	63.61GR	69.61ffG	0.1446f	0.2025
Montreal	27.60h	35.60h	1.25h	1.40h	1.60h	1.15s	1.15s	43.95AH	12.10H	65.75H	.....	0.1978	0.2089
New Orleans	34.00	48.00	1.25P	1.35P	1.45P	1.21P	1.21P	0.463	24.90	64.00Y	85.60Y	0.1814	0.2545
New York	27.00	35 00	1.40	1.35	1.40	1.35	1.45	0.485aT	0.2466aXAA	64.08a	72.33a	0.1814R	0.2545R
Philadelphia	26.50	31.00ss	1.40ss	1.40ss	1.55lss	1.35nn	1.35qqss	0.485	9.46	63.71	71.96	0.1814	0.2545
Pittsburgh	30.00nn	33.00nn	1.50nn	1.50nn	1.50mm	1.50nn	1.50nn	0.452	9.46	64.00	76.25pp	0.1600	0.1800
St. Louis	30 00uu	42.00uu	1.50uu	1.65uu	1.50uu	1.38ooss	1.60uuY	0.475	10.69	63.39Kmmpp	69.39yuupp	0.1814fmss	0.2545fmss
San Francisco	29 50ss	30.50ss	1.38ss	1.38ss	1.50ss	1.50k	1.58oss	0.575	10.83	65.00K	77.25K	0.1814	0.2545
Seattle	42.40nn	45.60nn	1.55nn	1.35knn	1.85lnn	1.20Q	....	0.46D	10.40D	54.02D	73.27D	0.1756	0.2460
Toronto	.82	1 31	1.10	1.12	1.30	....	....	0.4295	26.00ap	73.74	86.52	0.3063	0.3418

‡truckiots, delivered †fob warehouse *fob city *a delivered *b ½" O.D. *c ⅝" O.D. *d per sf *e 34" x 60" sheet *f per 100 ft *g 5 tons & up: cold roll, anneal & pickled 2B finish *h incl. Federal tax *i add 25¢ for pint of additive *j 1100 & 3003 alloy, mill finish *k bag of 3 cu ft *l treated with air entraining agent *m 2-10M ft *n fob mill fr equalized with nearest stocking competitor *o 250 sacks or more *p 100 sq ft *r per lb *s 30 lb bag *t 36" x 108":-10.81 lb/sh; 48" x 144": 21.7 lb/sh *u 19.31 lb/sh *v fob plant *w 48" x 144" *x 0.11"th *y 27 gauge *aa 16M lb & up *bb Per 50 lb bag *dd add $1.00 cwt boxing *ee 4 tons & up *gg add $2/cwt boxing; $0.75/cwt on skids *hh Theoretical wt for 48" x 96": 60.4-lb. per sh *ii 300-bag lots *jj 100-lb bag *mm Theoretical wt; 19.7-lb per sh *nn 2% cash *oo skid packed *pp type 304 *qq Philadelphia and suburbs. *rr less 2% disc. 15 days. *ss less 2% disc. 10 days. *tt less 2% disc. 10th. *uu add 2% sales tax. *vv Type N. *xx less ½% disc. 10 days. *yy .021 ga. *zz .061" th. *A Per 100 lb. *C 15M lb. *D less ½% for cash. *E Quantity differential. *F less 5% disc. 10th. *G less ½% disc. 10th. *H Fed. tax exempt. *K less ½%, 10 days. *L 5% disc. 30 days. *M 3003; .452 for 1100. *N less 2%, 15th mo. *O less $2, cash & carry. *P less 2%, 15 days. *Q per ton. *R revised *S add .10/bag under 200 bags. *T 5000# quantity on 4000# skids. *U 30 Msf quantity; $0.245 in 10 Msf quantity. *X per sq ft. *Y Per sheet. *Z 6,000 lb or over. *AA 30,000 sf or over.

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BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **Mass., Norwood**—HOSPITAL ADDN.—BA 6/1—Norwood Hospital Bd. Trustees, 729 Washington St., hospital addn., alterations. $1,750,000. Date advanced. Plans deposit $100. James H. Ritchie & Assoc., 135 Clarendon St., Boston, archts. CD 5/11.

▲ **Conn., Wallingford**—SCHOOL—BA 6/16—Town, Town Hall, 1, 2 and 4 story, 80,000 sq. ft., steel, brick, concrete West Side Junior High School, Hope Hill Rd. $1,800,000. Plans deposit $50. Ketchum, Gina, Sharp, Unger & Unger, 219 E. 44th St., New York, N. Y., archts. Philip A. Merian, 356 S. Orchard St., engr. CD 7/9.

BUILDINGS—SLC

▲ **Mass., Boston** — MOTOR INN — The Church Realty Trust, 15 Norway St., Boston, soon lets contract Midtown Motor Inn, 220 Huntington Ave. $1,500,000. Samuel Glaser Assoc., 234 Clarendon St., archts. CD 5/3.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ **Petricca Constr. Co.,** 534 West St., Pittsfield, Mass., LB **$1,052,945,** est. $1,000,000, Contr. No. 1, main intercepting sewers, PITTSFIELD, MASS. City, Dpt. P. Wks., 33 Pearl St., Pittsfield, Mass., Bids May 13, CD 4/19;
E. T. O'Neill & Sons Constr. Corp., P. O. Box 863, Holyoke, Mass., LB **$1,476,673,** est. $1,500,000, Contr. No. 2, Eastern Interceptor Sewer (Pittsfield, Mass.).

▲ **CONNECTICUT**—State Hy. Dpt., 170 Douglas St., Hartford,
L. G. Defelice & Son, Inc., Nettleton Ave., North Haven, Conn., CA **$3,313,874,** 14,518 ft. dual lane concrete pavement relocation Rte. 8, incl. 25-span bridge over Rte. 67, FAI Proj. F (38). Bids Apr. 11. CD 4/13, under LB.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Olson & Appleby, Inc.,** 222 Union St., New Bedford, Mass., LB **$2,020,999,** REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, Center and Mt. Prospect Sts., BRIDGEWATER, MASS. Bridgewater-Rayham Regional School Dist., Town Hall, Bridgewater, Mass. Bids May 14. CD 4/26.

▲ **Albert Swanson,** 39 Whitney Ridge Terrace, Hamden, Conn., Owner Builds, **$1,746,000,** 95 HOUSES, Benham Lake Heights, Lane and Benham Sts., HAMDEN, CONN. CD 4/20/56.

▲ **Town of Seymour,** Town Hall, Seymour, Conn., cancelled bids to have been opened May 19, HIGH SCHOOL, Bungay Rd., SEYMOUR, CONN. **$1,500,000.** CD 5/12.

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HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

▲ **D. C., Wash.**—STADIUM—BA 6/1—Procurement Officer D. C. National Guard Armory, 2001 E. Capitol St., 50,000 seat stadium west end of E. Capitol St. Bridge, east of Armory, Plans deposit $200. Extended date. Praeger-Kavanagh, 126 E. 38th St., Waterbury 16, N. Y., Osborne Co., 7016 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, O., George Dahl, 2101 N. St. Paul St., Dallas, Tex., and Ewin Engineering Corp., 1367 Connecticut Ave. N. W., Wash., D. C., archts.-engrs. CD 4/14.

▲ **D. C., Wash.**—BA 6/8—D. C. Govt., Dpt. Hys., 499 Pa. Ave. N.W., "K" St. Expressway, 20th St. to 25th St. N.W. Plans deposit $50. CD 8/28/58.

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **Pa., Danville**—HOSPITAL ADDN.—BA 6/2—George F. Geisinger Memorial Hospital, hospital addn., alterations. $2,500,000. Ellerby & Co., 333 Sibley St., St. Paul, Minn., archts. CD 5/26/58.

▲ **N. Y., Cold Spring Harbor**—SCHOOL, etc.—BA 6/15—Bd. Educ. Central School Dist. No. 2, Towns of Huntington and Oyster Bay, Main St., Cold Spring Harbor, Junior-Senior High School, field house and site development. $1,700,000. Plans deposit $120 general, $60 mechanical trades. Sherwood Mills & Smith, 65 Broad St., Stamford, Conn., archts.

▲† **D. C., Wash.**—DOMICILIARY—BA 6/21—U. S. Eng., 1st and Douglas Sts. N. W., Zone 25, 7 story, approx. 209,750 sq. ft. rein.-con., masonry walled Domiciliary, pile fdns., Soldiers Home, ENG-49-080-60-61(67). Plans deposit $7.50. CD 5/10.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ **NEW YORK**—Dpt. P. Wks., State Office Bldg., Albany,
John Arborio, Inc., W. Cedar St., Poughkeepsie, N. Y., CA **$2,098,009,** 9 in. c. conc. pavt. variable width misc. work 0.2 mi. acc. c. conc. pavt. 0.77 mi. b. conc. 0.47 mi. Int. Rte. 505, Pennsylvania State Line, Five Mile Point (Penn.-N. Y. State Line to Sunset Dr.), Rte. 81 FISH 60-3P, Proj. I 81-1(6), Broome Co. Bids Apr. 21. CD 4/22, under LB.

▲ **NEW YORK**—State Dpt. P. Wks., State Office Bldg., Albany,
Perini Corp., 73 Mount Wayte Ave., Framingham, Mass., CA **$2,414,863,** est. $2,958,000, b. conc. pavt. 2.33 mi., grad., drain 1.57 mi. Lestershire SH 125 Hooper-Johnson City, SH 5699, Rte. 17C, FARC 60-17, Proj. U-401(9), U-1143 (2), Broome Co. Bids Mar. 24, awarded Apr. 18. CD 3/25, under LB.

▲ **NEW YORK**—State Dpt. P. Wks., State Office Bldg., Albany,
N. Y.—Yonkers Contg. Co., Inc., 969 Midland Ave., Yonkers, N. Y., CA **$2,812,443,** est. $3,436,000, b. conc. 7.17 mi., misc. work 0.1 mi. City of New York Board of Water Supply Rd. No. 1 (Cannonsville Reservoir), Rte. 10 BWS 60-2, Delaware Co. Bids Apr. 21, awarded May 6;
N. Y.—Vernon Christiana, Jr., Box 413, Utica, N. Y., CA **$794,476,** est. $928,000, b. conc. Type 1A 6.12 mi., misc. work 0.05 mi. Richfield Springs-Getman Corners, Pt. 2, SH 1818 Rte. 28 FARC 60-22, Proj. S-493 (1), Herkimer Co. Bids Apr. 21, awarded May 11. CD 4/22, under LB.

▲ **Joseph Halpern,** 34-12 9th St., Long Island City, N. Y., LB **$1,489,094,** est. $1,412,960, (3 bidders), general contract sewage treatment plant and lift station, Inwood, MINEOLA, N. Y. Bd. Supervs. Nassau Co., Old County Court House, Mineola, N. Y. Bids May 17. CD 5/4.

▲ **Horn Constr. Co.,** 2174 Hewlett Ave., Merrick, N. Y., LB **$1,635,417,** est. $1,300,000, Trevor Park, incl. road from Warburton Ave. to Hudson River, bridge

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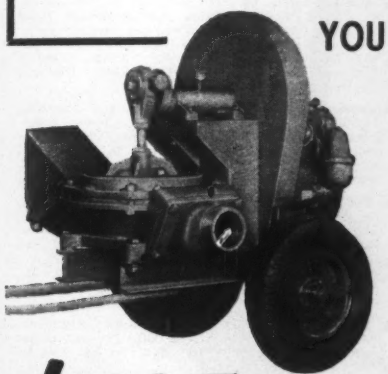

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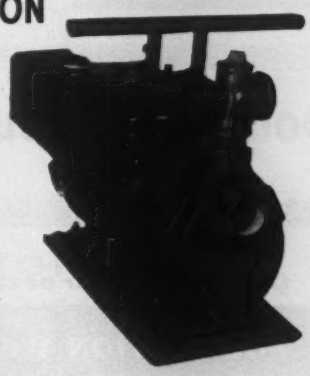

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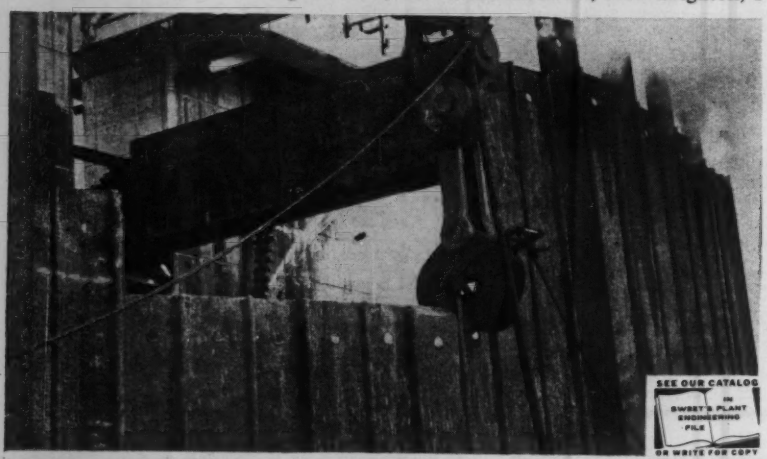

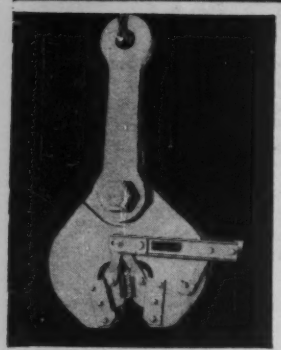

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▲ **Elmhurst Contracting Co., Inc.,** 53-09 97 Place, Corona, N. Y., LB **$1,473,593,** (13 bidders), Unit No. 1 local flood control protection works along Brodhead and McMichaels Creeks, Stroudsburg and East Stroudsburg Boros, Stroud Twp., Monroe Co., PENNSYLVANIA. Dpt. Forest & Waters, 512 Education Bldg., Harrisburg, Pa., Bids May 13. CD 4/1.

▲ **PENNSYLVANIA**—State Hy. Dpt., 506 North Office Bldg., Harrisburg.

F. A. Canuso & Sons, Inc., 173 W. Roosevelt Blvd., Phila. 20, Pa., CA **$2,347,884,** 28,268 ft. divided hy. c. conc., 3 bridges T.R. 3, W. Chester Boro, W. Goshen, E. Goshen and Westtown Twps., Chester Co. Bids Apr. 28, awarded May 13. CD 5/3, under LB.

▲ **PENNSYLVANIA**—State Hy. Dpt., 506 North Office Bldg., Harrisburg. Bids opened 5/12.

Pa.—**G. A. & F. C. Wagman, Inc.,** 370 E. Main St., Dallastown, Pa., LB **$4,076,571,** est. $4,729,200, (12 bidders), 17,376 ft., 4-lane rein.-con. divided hy., 6 bridges, Sec. 1A, L.R. 793, Proj. 729-1, City of Reading, Cumru and Exeter Twps., Berks Co.;

Penn Jersey Contractors, Inc., 1100 South Broad St., Trenton, N. J., CA **$768,302,** constr. Main and Auxiliary West End Diversion Conduits, Local Protective Works, Bethlehem, IFB CIVENG-26-109-60-19, PENNSYLVANIA. U. S. Eng., 2635 Abbottsford Rd., Phila., Pa. CD 9/30.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **F. D. Rich Co., Inc.,** 550 Summer St., Stamford, Conn., CA **$2,433,798,** general contract BUILDING 9, Department of Taxation and Finance, State Office Bldg., Campus Site, ALBANY, N. Y. Henry A. Cohen, dir. Bureau Contracts, State Office Bldg., Albany, N. Y. Bids Mar. 9. CD 3/16, under LB;

E. W. Tompkins Co., Inc., 158 Orange St., Albany, N. Y., CA **$814,312,** heating work Building No. 9 (Albany, N. Y.).

▲ **Mar-Mes Constr. Co., Inc.,** 271 North Ave., New Rochelle, N. Y., CA **$1,389,000,** general contract alterations, addns. to existing HIGH SCHOOL and ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, BRONXVILLE, N. Y. Bd. Educ., 200 Pondfield Rd., Bronxville, N. Y. CD 11/13;

A. B. Barr & Co., Griver St., Yonkers, N. Y., CA **$524,267,** heating and ventilating for High School and Elementary School addns., alterations (Bronxville, N. Y.).

▲ **Howard Builders,** 3143 New Walden Ave., Depew, N. Y., Owner Builds, **$2,000,000,** 110 HOMES, French Rd. and Geo. Urban Blvd., Transit Heights, BUFFALO, N. Y. CD 12/15/58.

▲ **Fred Brotherton, Inc.,** 185 Atlantic St., Hackensack, N. J., CA **$1,500,000,** RESIDENCE HALL on campus, CALDWELL, N. J. Sisters of St. Domonick Caldwell College, Bloomfield Ave., Caldwell, N. J. CD 10/2.

▲ **Whyte Co.,** 671 Oradell Ave., Oradell, N. J., LB **$1,839,660,** White Beeches Drive SCHOOL and Honiss SCHOOL addn., DUMONT, N. J. Bd. Educ., New Milford Ave., Dumont, N. J. Bids May 12. CD 5/5, under LB.

▲ **Turner Constr. Co.,** 1500 Walnut St., Phila., Pa., CA **$2,000,000,** DEPARTMENT STORE, HADDONFIELD, N. J. Strawbridge & Clothier, 8 and Market Sts., Phila., Pa. Victor Gruen, 2 W. 13 St., New York, N. Y., archt. George M. Ewing Co., Western Savings Fund Bldg., Phila., Pa., assoc. archt.

▲ **Coburn Farms,** 206 S. 42 St., Phila., Pa., Separate Contracts, **$1,470,000,** RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, Rte. 352 and vicinity, BROOKHAVEN, PA. Irvin Stein, 7 Stateion Dr., Paoli, Pa. archt.

▲ **Frank H. Wilson Co.,** 125 Coulter Ave., Ardmore, Pa., CA **$1,500,000,** SCHOOL for mentally retarded, BROOMALL, PA. R. C. Archdiocese of Phila., 225 N. 18 St., Phila., Pa. Bids Apr. 29. CD 4/29.

▲ **W. A. Clarke Co.,** 6841 Market St., Upper Darby, Pa., Separate Contracts, **$3,240,000,** RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, (216 homes), Rte. 452 Jct. in Ashton Twp., CHESTER, PA. Erling H. Wenge, McClachy Bldg., Upper Darby, Pa., archt.

▲ **Ablonsky Constr. Co.,** 924 Richmond St., Painesville, O., CA **$1,750,000** Fairview JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, FAIRVIEW, PA. Fairview School Auth., Fairview, Pa. Meyers, Krider, Merle & Ellenberger, 407 Commerce Bldg., Erie, Pa., archts. Fleming, Pfitzmeier & Weeks, 1900 Euclid Ave., Cleveland 15, O., engrs.

▲ **Leonard Polis,** Trevose, Pa., Separate Contracts, **$3,500,000,** 13 story APARTMENT, 2-level underground GARAGE, 47 St. and City Ave., PHILA., PA. Philocles Antholpoulic, 1737 Chestnut St., Phila., Pa., engr. Leon Levin, 1923 Manning St., Phila., Pa., archt.

▲ **McCloskey & Co.,** 1620 W. Thompson St., Phila., Pa., LB **$3,073,000,** UNDERGRADUATE LIBRARY, SEMINAR and CLASSROOM BLDG. for University of Pa., PHILA., PA. General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, Pa. Bids May 11. CD 4/25;

Ambrose-Augusterfer Corp., 247 E. Ashmead St., Phila., Pa., LB **$922,000,** heating, ventilating and air-conditioning for library, etc. (Phila., Pa.).

▲ **Sixty Nine Hundred Corp.,** 301 York Rd., Jenkintown, Pa. Separate Contracts, **$2,500,000.,** 200-unit garden APARTMENTS, swimming pool, Old York Rd., PHILA., PA.

▲ **Cambridge Constr. Co.,** 2 Arthur Rd., Rosemont, Pa., Separate Contracts, **$2,280,000,** RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, Mount Pleasant Ave., etc., VILLANOVA, PA.

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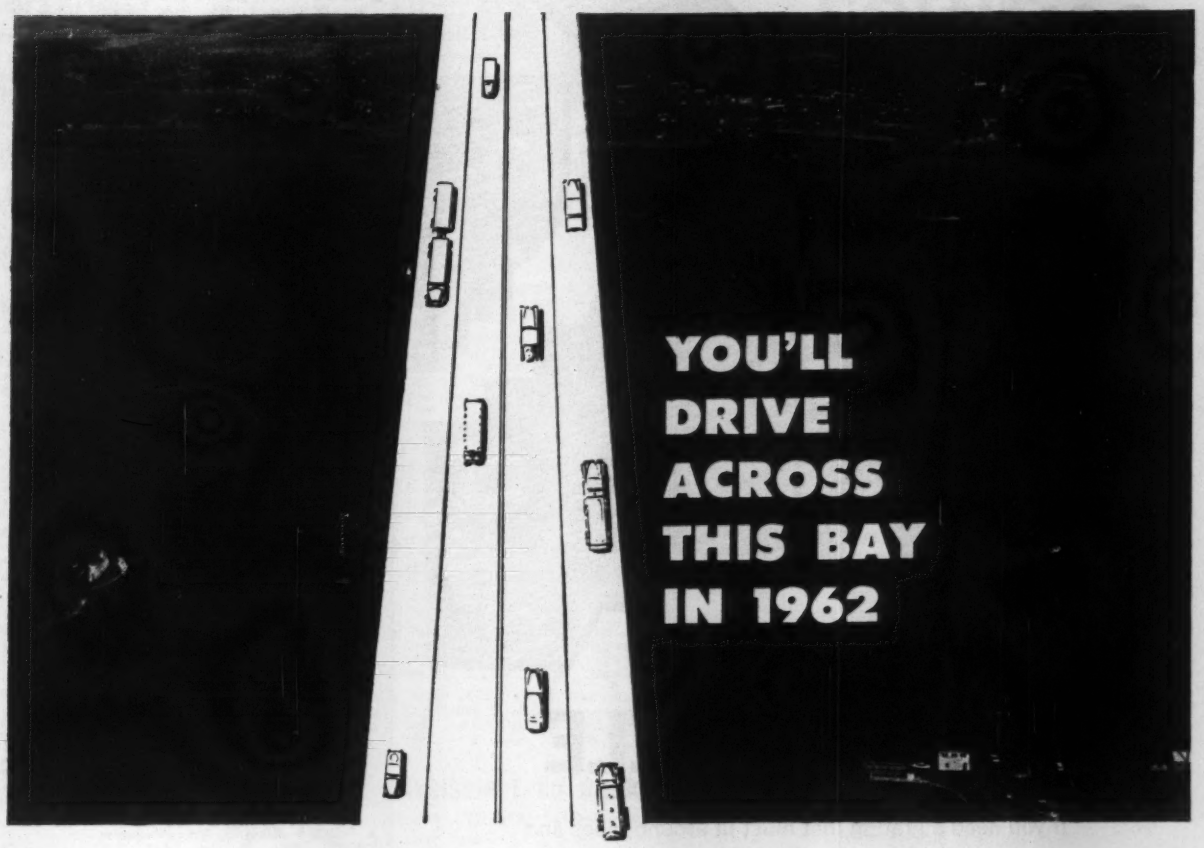

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▲ **American Mortgage Investment Co.,** Woodward Bldg., Wash., D. C., Owner Builds, **$2,000,000,** 6 story, brick, concrete, steel Old Georgetown Inn HOTEL, parking GARAGE, 1310 Wisconsin Ave., WASH., D. C. CD 10/9.

SOUTH

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

▲† **Fla., Orlando** — RUNWAY AND TAXIWAYS — BA About 6/23—U.S. Eng., Box 4970, Jacksonville, Zone 1, strengthening existing runway and taxiways by removing existing pavement and replacing with c. conc. pavement, widening existing runway 50 ft. each side with flexible pavement, grading shoulders of runway and taxiways, installing approach lighting system at south end of runway and narrow gage lighting system for the entire runway, rehab. existing runway and taxiway lights, McCoy Air Force Base, Pinecastle, ENG-08-123-60-75. $5,500,000. CD 9/24/58.

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **Ky., Covington**—SCHOOL—BA 6/15—Kenton County Bd. Educ., high school, Taylor Mill Rd. $900,000. CD 9/11/58, under Ky., Independence.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ **WEST VIRGINIA**—State Road Comn., Charleston, Zone 5, Bids opened 5/12,
W. Va.—**C. F. Repogle Co.,** P. O. Box 308, Circleville, O., LB **$1,364,236,** c. conc. paving 4.785 mi. Interstate 64 from US 60 Interchange to Barboursville Interchange, Proj. I-64-1(10)13, Cabell Co.;
W. Va.—**V. N. Green & Co., and Central Asphalt Paving Co.,** 914 Nelson Bldg., Charleston 1, W. Va., LB **$1,631,057,** c. conc. paving 5.731 mi. Interstate 77 from White Chapel to Goldtown Interchange, Proj. I-77-3(22)113, Jackson and Kanawha Counties;

▲ **FLORIDA**—State Rd. Dpt., Tallahassee,
Fla.—**Harbert Constr. Co.,** Box 1369, Birmingham, Ala., CA **$3,973,318,** 6 lane divided 9 in. c. conc. pavement 8 in. limerock base Type I, b. conc. surf. course, binder course, 6½ in. limerock base shoulder with Type 1-B surf. tr. 0.77 mi. State Rte. 400, FEI Proj. No. I-4-2(24) 100 Job No. 7528-3417 and State Jobs Nos. 75280-3501 and 75040-3503, Orange Co.;
Fla.—**Wainer Constr. Co.,** Box 1172, Valdosta, Ga., CA **$1,351,749,** 4-lane 9 in. c. conc. pavement 8½ in., sand clay base Type 1-B surf. tr. and Type II b conc. surf course 6½ in. sand-clay paved shoulders with Type 1-B surf. tr. 2.159 mi. State Rte. 8, FAI Proj. No. I-10-1(7)11 Job No. 48260-3403, Escambia Co. Bids Feb. 23, awarded May 12. CD 3/2, under LB.

▲ **FLORIDA**—State Rd. Dpt., Tallahassee,
Hubbard Constr. Co., Box 7217, Orlando, Fla., CA **$1,956,564,** 4-lane divided facility 10½ in. limerock base, Type I, b. conc. surf. course with binder course and surf. tr. 7.146 mi. SR 500, State Proj. Jobs 75020-3109 and 11010-3111, Orange and Lake Counties. Bids Mar. 29, awarded May 9. CD 4/1, under LB.

▲ **FLORIDA**—State Rd. Dpt., Tallahassee,
W. R. Fairchild Constr. Co., Box 31, Hattiesburg, Miss., CA **$1,093,727,** 4-lane divided 8 in. shell stab. base Type 1-B bit. surf. tr. binder course and Type 1 b. conc. surf. course (3 in. thick) 3.959 mi. State Rte. 397, 85 and 20, FAI Proj. F-F-041-1(3), Jobs Nos. 57040-3115 and 57050-3110, and State Jobs Nos. 47040-3501 and 57050-3501, Okaloosa Co. Bids Feb. 23, awarded May 13. CD 3/2, under LB.

▲ **Harbert Constr. Corp.,** 2208 8th Ave. S., Birmingham, Ala., LB **$6,651,900,** constr. Pearl River Valley Dam, etc., JACKSON, MISS. Pearl River Water Supply Dist., P. O. Box 2045, Jackson, Miss. Bids May 12. CD 4/12.

▲ **KENTUCKY**—Commonwealth of Ky., Dpt. Hys., Frankfort,
Talbott Constr. Corp., 30 Wall St., Winchester, Ky., CA **$2,906,127,** grading, draining bit. surf. 2.985 mi. Lexington-Catlettsburg Rd. 0.318 mi. Winchester-Parish. F-511 (4) I-64-5 (9) 90, Clark Co. Bids May 6. CD 5/10, under LB.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Paul Tishman Co., Inc.,** 21 E 70 St., New York, N. Y., LB **$1,770,949,** (5 bidders), LIBRARY, NORFOLK, VA. City, City Hall, Norfolk, Va., Bids May 13. CD 4/25.

▲ **Ebasco Services, Inc.,** 2 Rector St., New York, N. Y. CA, design and construct Quaker Neck Steam-Electric PLANT addn., GOLDSBORO, N. C. Carolina Power & Light Co., 419 Fayetteville St., Raleigh, N. C. Total est. **$8,000,000.** CD 3/28;
Riley Stoker Corp., 9 Neponset Ave., Worcester 6, Mass., CA, BOILER, (Goldsboro, N. C.);
Westinghouse Electric Corp., 2 Gateway Center, Pittsburgh, Pa., CA, turbine generator (Goldsboro, N. C.).

▲† **H. L. Coble,** 1705 Battleground Ave., Greensboro, N. C., LB **$5,496,000** (6 bidders), 367 unit CAPEHART HOUSING, No. 3, ENG-31-075-60-25, FORT BRAGG, N. C. U. S. Eng., 308 Customhouse, Wilmington, N. C. Bids May 17. CD 4/25.

Hicks & Vogel Constr. Co., 4236 Atlanta Blvd., Jacksonville, Fla., CA **$699,772,** petty officers mess (open) Part 1; commissioned officers mess (open) Part II; indoor recreational facilities, Part III, NBy 16569, Spec. 16569/59, MAYPORT, FLA. Dist. P. Wks. Office, Bldg. 13, Naval Base, Charleston, S. C. Bids Apr. 27, awarded May 10. CD 5/3, under LB.

MIDDLE WEST

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

▲ **MICHIGAN and ONTARIO**—BA 6/14—International Bridge Authority, 801 Seymour St., Sault Ste Marie, Mich.,

substruction and superstructure Contracts 1 & 2, International Bridge between Sault Ste Marie, Mich., and Sault Ste Marie, Ont. Total cost $20,000,000. D. B. Steinman, 117 Liberty St., New York 6. N. Y., engr. CD 6/15/54.

▲ **MICHIGAN and ONTARIO**—BA 6/15—International Bridge Auth., 801 Seymour St., Sault Ste Marie, Mich.,

Canadian section International Bridge between Sault Ste Marie, Mich., and Sault Ste Marie, Ont. CD 6/15/54.

▲† **Michigan and Ontario**—BA 6/17—U. S. Eng., 1101 Washington Blvd., Detroit 26, Mich., dredging, Lower Livingstone Channel, CIVENG-20-064-60-80. $7,000,000. Plans deposit $1.30. CD 9/29/59.

† **Illinois**—BA 6/21—U. S. Eng., Clock Tower Bldg., Rock Island, Lima Lake Drainage Dist. (Main Stem Levee) Flood Control Proj., Mississippi River, Adams Co.; along left bank of Mississippi River, CIVENG-11-117-60-32, $600,000. CD 9/15.

▲ **Ill., Chicago**—BA 6/21—Dpt. Purchases, City Hall, Zone 2, No. 80.391-60-2, surf. wash piping, Central Dist. Filtration plant, $1,300,000. George S. Salter, ch. design engr. CD 1/12/59.

MICHIGAN and ONTARIO—BA 6/22 — International Bridge Authority, 801 Seymour St., Sault Ste Marie, Mich.,

Canadian approach span, International Bridge, between Sault Ste Marie, Mich., and Sault Ste Marie, Ont. CD 6/15/54.

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **Wis., Milwaukee**—SEMINARY—BA 6/7—Milwaukee-Downer Seminary, 2513 E. Hartford Ave., seminary, River Hills. $1,000,000-$2,000,000. Kloppenburg & Kloppenburg, 5906 N. Port Washington Rd., archts. CD 1/27.

▲ **O., Cincinnati**—SCHOOL—BA 6/15—Bd. Educ., 608 E. McMillan St., Aiken Senior High School. Plans deposit $50. A. M. Kinney, Inc., 2912 Vernon Pl., archt-engr. CD 3/4.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ **OHIO**—State Hy. Dpt., Columbus, Zone 15,

The Penker Constr. Co. & DeSalvo Constr. Co., Inc., 1030 Summer St., Cincinnati, O., CA **$4,189,066**, Type T-71, structures 2.014 mi. State Rte. 4, Section 18.43, U-681 (18) US 1262 (1), City of Dayton, Montgomery Co. Bids Apr. 26. (**Correction**—contractor). CD 5/17, under CA.

Haddad Constr. Co., 568 Wilson Ave., Columbus, O., CA **$704,534**, 2 mi. section Maplecrest-South Park Sewer, Parma and Seven Hills, CLEVELAND, O. Bd. Comrs. Cuyahoga Co., County Admin. Bldg., 1219 Ontario St., Cleveland 13, O. Bids Feb. 25, awarded May 13. CD 3/9.

Milburn Bros., Inc., Central Rd., Mt. Prospect, Ill., CA **$659,584**, No. 115-0103, c. conc. road paving, Kirchoff Rd., 11,503 ft. storm sewers, curb and gutters, Des Plaines, CHICAGO, ILL. Bd. Comrs. Cook Co., County Bldg., Chicago 2, Ill. Bids May 3, awarded May 16. CD 5/9, under LB.

▲ **Raymond International, Inc.**, 140 Cedar St., New York 6, N. Y., CA **$1,873,775**, est. $800,000, No. 80.78-60-2, pier constr. extens. and widen Navy Pier, South Dock, State 4, CHICAGO, ILL. Dpt. Purchases, City Hall, Chicago 2, Ill. Bids Mar. 8, awarded May 12. CD 4/13, under LB.

▲ **MICHIGAN**—State Hy. Dpt., 732 Mason Bldg., Lansing,

S. J. Groves & Sons, 3700 Carpenter Rd., Ann Arbor, Mich., CA **$3,158,270**, 5.4 mi. expressway and seven structures from M-50 in Dundee north to Ann Arbor R.R. tracks, Monroe Co.; CA **$1,265,762**, 3.1 mi. northbound lane US 23 expressway and 3 structures from Ann Arbor R.R. tracks north to Milan, Monroe Co. Bids Apr. 6. CD 4/12, under LB.

▲ **MICHIGAN**—State Hy. Dpt., 732 Mason Bldg., Lansing,

Mich.—**S. D. Solomon & Sons**, 3760 Elizabeth Lake Rd., Pontiac, Mich., CA **$2,781,347**, 4.7 mi. US 16 freeway Int. 196 from Leffingwell Ave. westerly to Cheney Ave. incl. five structures, Kent Co. CD 4/29;

Mich.—**Gilliland Constr. Co.**, Rte. No. 2, Alpena, Mich., CA **$2,339,023**, 8.9 mi. of US 27 freeway from Arnold Rd. about 3 mi. north of Harrison in Clare Co. north to Wolf Creek about 3 mi. north of Clare-Roscommon Line incl. dual bridge at Townline Creek, Clare and Roscommon Counties. CD 5/6;

Mich.—**Johnson-Greene Co.**, 416 E. Huron St., Ann Arbor, Mich., CA **$2,788,703**, 10.1 mi. US 27 freeway from Wolf Creek north to M-55 at Houhton Lake incl. interchange at M-55 dual bridges at Wolf Creek and extension of M-55 from existing US 27 to freeway, Roscommon Co. CD 5/6;

Streets & Roads Constr. Corp., 1226 W. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee 3, Wis., LB **$509,538** (6 bidders), 185,000 sq. yd. soil cement base, 22,500 tons bit. concrete pavement, 24,000 ft. curb and gutter, SOUTH MILWAUKEE, WIS. City, City Hall, South Milwaukee, Wis. Bids May 12. C. Dinauer, South Milwaukee, Wis., city engr.

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **Hunkin-Conkey Constr. Co.**, 1740 E. 12th St., Cleveland 14, O., LB **$1,900,000** (3 bidders), SCHOOL, CLEVELAND, O. Cleveland Institute of Music, 3411 Euclid Ave., Cleveland 15, O. Bids Apr. 26. CO 1/11.

Kaiser Building Corp., 1412 Hayden Ave., Cleveland 12, O., Owner Builds, **$800,000**, 40 HOMES, HUDSON, O.

▲ **Abell Howe Co.**, 53 W. Jackson St., Chicago 4, Ill., CA **$2,000,000**, 185,000 sq. ft. FACTORY, 17th Ave., 22nd St., BROADVIEW, ILL. Elkay Mfg. Co., 1874 S. 64th Ave., Cicero, Ill. Awarded May 10.

▲ **H. L. Vokes Co.**, 1000 Wayside Rd., Cleveland 10, O. CA Est. **$1,500,000**, FAMILY SPORTS CENTER, Eastgate Shopping Center, MAYFIELD HEIGHTS, O. Morris Coen & Leo Bilsky, c/o Mayflower Lanes, 13961 Cedar Rd., Cleveland 18, O. CD 4/4.

▲ **Edward J. DeBartolo & Assocs.**, 2620 Market St., Youngstown, O., Own Forces, **$10,000,000**, Great Lakes SHOPPING MALL, MENTOR, O. CD 9/10.

▲ **F. A. Wilhelm Constr. Co.**, 3914 Prospect St., Indianapolis, Ind., LB **$1,359,165**, general contract, HEATING PLANT and utilities, West Lafayette, LAFAYETTE, IND. Purdue University, Executive Blvd., West Lafayette, Ind., Bids Apr. 20, CD 3/31;
Freyn Bros., Inc., 1028 N. Illinois St., Indianapolis, Ind., LB **$1,504,000**, mechanical work for heating plant, (Lafayette, Ind.).

▲ **S. N. Nielsen Co.**, 3059 W. Augusta Blvd., Chicago, Ill., CA **$2,000,000**, 3 story, concrete frame HOSPITAL, Kaplan Surgical Wing, CHICAGO, ILL. Michael Reese Hospital, 29th and Ellis Ave., Chicago, Ill. Bids Mar. 22, awarded May 4. CD 3/16.

▲ **Charles L. Schrager Co.**, 30 W. Monroe St., Chicago 3, Ill. Owner Builds, **$2,000,000**, MOTOR FREIGHT TERMINAL, 4900 W. 55th St., CHICAGO, ILL. Jensen & Jensen, 30 W. Monroe St., Chicago 3, Ill., archts. Central Wisconsin Motor Transport Co., lessee. Awarded May 13.

▲ **Paul H. Schwendemer**, 7555 South Chicago Ave., Chicago, Ill., CA **$1,500,000**, brick, stone HOSPITAL addn., CHICAGO, ILL. South Chicago Community Hospital, 2320 E. 93 St., Chicago, Ill. CD 8/1/58.

▲ **Nelson & Co.**, 1550 Yout St., Racine, Wis., LB **$1,628,000**, (4 bidders), general contract F. R. Starbuck JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, RACINE, WIS., Bd. Educ., Racine, Wis. Bids May 9, CD 4/12.

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HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

▲ **Colo., Denver**—BA 6/1—Bd. Water Comrs., 144 W. Colfax St., material only, 40,000 ft. 72 in. diam. and 3,000 ft. 90 in. diam. steel or concrete conduit for Conduit No. 29, $1,900,000; material only, 10,000 ft. 72 in. diam. steel or concrete pipe Conduit 28, Part No. 2, $450,000. R. B. McRae, ch. engr. Denver Bd. Water Comrs., mgr. CD 10/9.

▲ **Neb., Omaha**—BA 6/7—P. Wks. Dpt., City Hall, 18 and Farnam Sts., North Interceptor Sewer. Over $2,000,000. Plans deposit $25. Kirkham-Michael & Assocs., 508 S. 19 St., Zone 2, engrs. CD 12/10/58.

▲† **Ark., Little Rock**—HANGAR—BA 6/16—U. S. Eng., P.O. Box 867, Little Rock, 75,000 sq. ft. hangar for Arkansas Air National Guard, Little Rock Air Force Base, ENG-03-050-60-53. $1,500,000. Plans deposit $10. CD 5/16.

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **Minn., Wabasha**—HOSPITAL—BA 6/1—St. Elizabeth Hospital, 50-bed hospital addn., convent facilities, etc. $1,500,000. M. Pfaller Assocs., 7613 West State St., Milwaukee, Wis., archts. CD 7/26/57.

▲ **Mo., St. Louis County**—PLANT—BA About 6/1—Crown Zellerbach Corp., 2101 Williams St., San Leandro, Calif., general contract 245,000 sq. ft. plant for flexible packing materials in Hazelwood area near Lambert-St. Louis Municipal Airport for use by Western-Waxide Div. (Waxide Paper Co.). $2,000,000. C. G. McDonald, 6363 Airport Way, Seattle, Wash., owner's ch. engr. CD 3/6/57.

▲ **Tex., Andrews**—HIGH SCHOOL—BA 6/3—Andrews Independent School Dist., high school. $2,000,000. Reid, Rockwell, Banwell & Tarics, 1019 Market St., San Francisco, Calif., archts.-engrs. CD 4/14, under LB.

▲ **Mont., Billings**—STUDENT SERVICES, etc.—BA 6/8—State Bd. Regents, Helena, 6 story student services, incl. dormitory, dining hall, student union, Eastern Montana College of Education. $2,000,000. Orr, Pickering & Assocs., Fratt Bldg., Billings, archts. CD 12/29.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲† **Massman Constr. Co.**, 3917 Broadway, Kansas City 11, Mo., and **Frazier-Davis Constr. Co.**, 1319 Macklind Ave., St. Louis 10, Mo., LB **$2,943,044**, est. $4,822,378 (5 bidders), constr. Chain of Rocks Low Water Dam No. 27 across Mississippi River, rock fdn., rock fill over sheet steel pile, cells, stone bank protection, crushed stone access road, etc., CIVENG 23 065-60-43, MISSOURI-ILLINOIS. U. S. Eng., 420 Locust St., St. Louis 2, Mo. R. W. Booker & Assocs., 215 N. 11th St., St. Louis 1, Mo., engrs. Bids May 12. CD 4/8.

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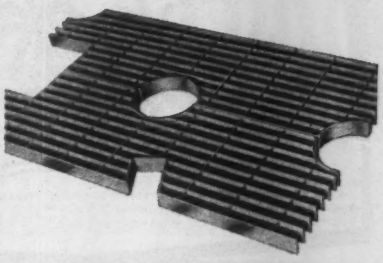

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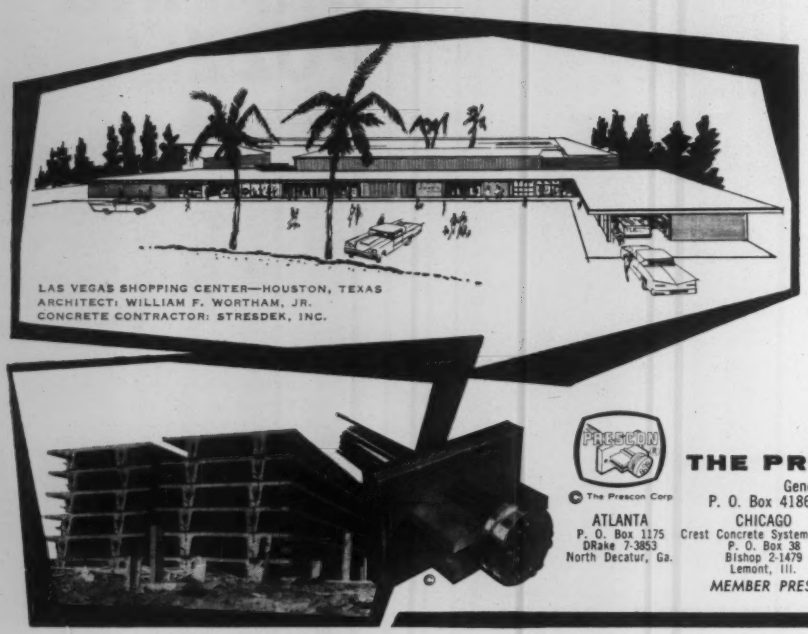

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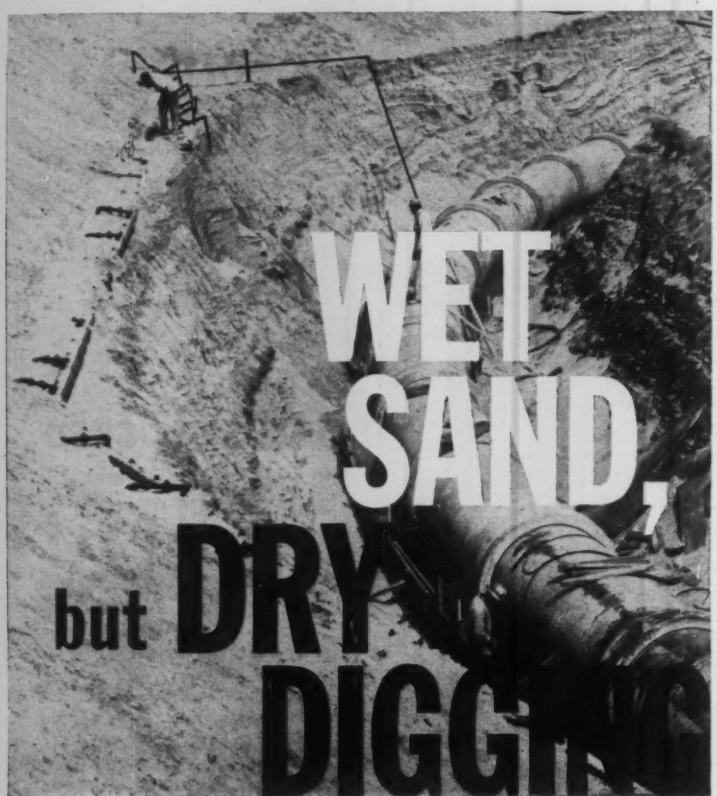

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▲† **Al Johnson Constr. Co.,** 608 Foshay Tower, Minneapolis, Minn., and **Peter Kiewit Sons Co.,** 1024 Omaha Nat'l. Bank Bldg., Omaha, Neb., CA **$6,897,840,** dam overflow section at Dardenelle Lock and Dam, Arkansas River, near Dardenelle, ENG-03-050-60-53, ARKANSAS. U. S. Eng., 300 Broadway, Little Rock, Ark. Bids May 5. CD 5/9, under LB.

▲ **Western Pipe Line, Inc.,** V. F. W. Bldg., Austin, Tex., CA Est. **$3,000,000,** 52 mi. 21 in. gas line from Brown-Bassett Field, Terrell Co. to Puckett Field, Pecos Co., TEXAS. El Paso Natural Gas Co., El Paso National Gas Co. Bldg., El Paso, Tex.

▲ **San Jacinto Co.,** 2311 10th St., Denver, Colo., LB **$1,587,819,** est. $1,822,563, FAI Proj. 9-05.010-22, bit. paving overlay, runway at Stapleton Field, DENVER, COLO. City and County of Denver, City and County Bldg., Denver, Colo. Bids May 10. CD 5/6.

▲ **R. B. Potashnick,** P.O. Box 423, Cape Girardeau, Mo., CA **$10,815,430,** est. $15,770,445, Schedule 2, Dillon Dam, Blue River Proj., DENVER, COLO. Denver Bd. Water Comrs., 114 W. Colfax St., Denver, Colo. Bids Oct. 8. CD 11/4, under CA.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Borson Constr., Inc.,** 7700 Logan Ave. S., Minneapolis, Minn., CA **$1,630,900,** general contract four ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS, ST. PAUL PARK, MINN. Bd. Educ. Independent School Dist. No. 833, St. Paul Park, Minn. Bids Apr. 28. CD 5/12, under LB;
Healy Plumbing & Heating Co., Inc., 278 West Kellogg Blvd., St. Paul, Minn., CA **$996,700,** mechanical contract covering four schools and addns., alterations to elementary school and one high school addn. (St. Paul Park, Minn.).

▲ **Bd. Educ. Independent School Dist. 833,** St. Paul Park, Minn., rejected bids Apr. 28, ELEMENTARY SCHOOL and SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL addns., alterations, ST. PAUL PARK, MINN. Will re-advertise. CD 5/12, under LB.

▲† **S. S. Silberblatt, Inc.,** 25 West 45th St., New York, N. Y., LB **$12,085,200,** est. $12,571,429, (3 bidders), 800 units Capehart HOUSING, ENG-23-028-60-84, FORT LEONARD WOOD, MO. U. S. Eng., 1800 Federal Office Bldg., Kansas City, Mo. Bids Apr. 7 rejected, LB $12,569,874. New bids May 13. CD 4/14, under LB.

▲ **Rosenblum Constr. Co.,** 11304 Olive St. Rd., Creve Coeur 41, Mo., Owner Builds, **$4,500,000,** Parke Town APARTMENTS, COMMUNITY CENTER, SWIMMING POOL, etc., Lucas and Hunt Rd. between West Florissant Rd. and Mark Twain Expressway, ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MO. J. Richard Shelley, c/o contractor, archt.

▲ **Knutson Constr. Co.,** 2138 Welch St., Houston, Tex., LB **$6,167,000,** HOSPITAL, HOUSTON, TEX. Methodist Hospital, Texas Medical Center, 6516 Bertner St., Houston, Tex. Bids May 10. CD 4/21.

▲ **Texas Prison Bd.,** Main Admin. Bldg., Austin, Tex., Owner Builds, **$5,000,000,** Ferguson PRISON FARM, 14 mi. from Huntsville; **$3,750,000** PRISON, 7,700 acres, 12 mi. from Huntsville, HUNTSVILLE, TEX. CD 8/27.

▲ **R. G. Farrell Co.,** Box 137, Odessa, Tex., CA **$1,809,000;** BANK and OFFICE, ODESSA, TEX. First National Bank of Odessa, 2101 N St. Paul St., Dallas, Tex. Bids May 3. CD 5/17.

▲ **Mead & Mount Constr.,** Denver Club Bldg., Denver, Colo., CA **$3,111,000,** 2 MEN'S DORMITORIES, LARAMIE, WYO. University of Wyoming, Campus, Laramie, Wyo. Bids May 10, awarded May 11. CD 5/16, under LB.

▲ **H. B. Bolas Enterprises, Inc.,** Littleton, Colo., Owner Builds, **$10,000,000,** 560 RESIDENCES, Happy Homes Brighton, BRIGHTON, COLO.

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HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

▲ **California**—BA 6/2—Oroville-Wyandotte Irrigation Dist., P. O. Box 229, Oroville, four earth and rockfill dams, three concrete dams, reconstr. dam, 17 mi. of tunnels, 11,000 ft. penstocks, three hydroelectric plants, 23 mi. of power and irrigation canals, access roads, Feather River Proj. Butte, Plumas and Yuba Counties. $50,000,000. Extended date. Bechtel Corp., 101 California St., San Francisco, engrs. CD 3/22.

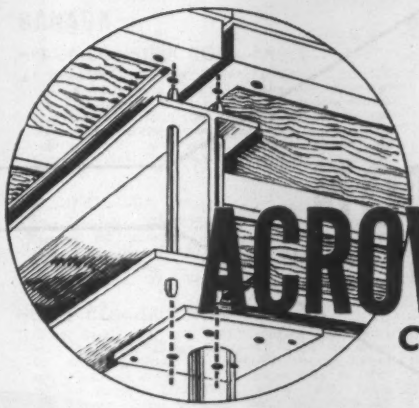
▲ **Calif., Marysville**—BA 6/6—Linda County Water Dist., Hy. 99 East, Sanitary Sewage Project; clay pipe sewer, clay pipe sewer lateral, c.i. pipe force main, manholes, 4 pumping stations, etc., Linda County Water Dist. $2,100,000. Plans deposit $25. Dean S. Kingman, P.O. Box 1280, Palo Alto, engr. CD 2/8.

▲† **Ariz., Yuma**—MAINTENANCE HANGARS—BA 6/9—Eleventh Naval Dist. P. Wks., 1220 Pacific Hy., San Diego 1, Calif., maintenance hangars, mess hall, MCAAS, Spec. No. 24698, $1,000,000-$2,500,000. CD 10/1.

BUILDINGS—BA

▲† **Calif., Travis Air Force Base**—HOUSING—BA About 6/10—Base Procurement Office, Travis Air Force Base, Fairfield, 600 units Housing No. 3, Angus McSweeney, 2960 Van Ness, San Francisco, archt. CD 6/10.

▲ **Ore., Portland**—POSTAL TERMINAL—BA 6/20—U.S. Post Office Dpt., 511 NW Broadway, construct and lease postal terminal. Stanton, Boles, Maguire & Church, Concord Bldg., archts.



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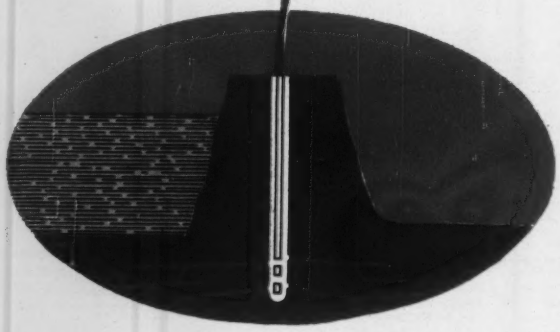

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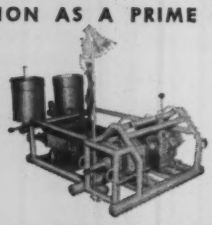

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▲ **Calif., San Jose**—ENGINEERING—BA 6/21—State Div. Architecture, 1120 N St., Sacramento, 3 story, 169,000 sq. ft. rein.-con. engineering bldg., San Jose State College, WO 4160GC-38. $3,500,000. Plans deposit $150. Harold C. Guilkey, 109 Stevenson St., San Francisco, archt. CD 6/18.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲† **B-E-C-K, McLaughlin & Assocs., Robert & Kief and Morrison-Knudsen Co., Inc.,** 3647 Stone Way, Seattle 3, Wash., CA **$1,726,444,** Schedule B, communications facilities Shemya Air Force Station, Inv. 60-48, ALASKA. U. S. Eng., P.O. Box 7002, Anchorage, Alaska. Bids May 10. CD 5/12, under LB.

▲ **Tucci & Son and Woodworth & Co.,** 2815 S. Lawrence St., Tacoma, Wash., LB **$1,694,877,** est. $1,750,000, (9 bidders), 44 mi. interceptor, trunk, lateral and house sewers, WEST SLOPE, ORE. City Sanitary Dist., 3105 SW 89th Ave., West Slope, Ore. Bids May 11. CD 4/20.

† **Green Constr. Corp., & Tecon Corp.,** Securities Bldg., Seattle, Wash., CA **$1,191,912** (6 bidders), excavation, constr. powerhouse, Hills Creek Dam on Middle Fork Willlamette River, OREGON. U.S. Eng., 628 Pittock Block, Portland 5, Ore. Bids May 10. CD 5/18, under LB.

▲ **CALIFORNIA**—State Div. Hys., 120 S. Spring St., Los Angeles,

Guy F. Atkinson Co., P.O. Box 259, Long Beach, Calif., CA **$11,712,105,** 3 level interchange at jct. of Golden State and Glendale Freeways in Los Angeles and addnl. 3.7 mi. freeway mostly on Golden State Freeway, 20 bridges and ramp structures, VII-L.A. 161-162 LA, Los Angeles Co. Bids Mar. 31. CD 4/5, under LB.

▲ **CALIFORNIA**—State Div. Hys., 1120 N St., Sacramento,

L. C. Smith Co., 225 19th Ave., San Mateo, Calif., CA **$1,528,442,** grading, surf. to wid'n. Bayshore Freeway (U. S. 1011 by-pass) between 0.2 mi. north of Brand Ave. in South San Francisco and Peninsular Ave. overcrossing in San Mateo, 7.5 mi. IV-SM-68, SSF, F, MULBR, BURL, SM, San Mateo Co. Bids May 4. CD 5/6.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Lease Co. Inc.,** 1501 N. 35th St., Seattle 3, Wash., CA **$5,683,835,** MENTAL HOSPITAL, ANCHORAGE, ALASKA. State Dpt. P. Wks., Juneau, Alaska. Bids Apr. 27. CD 5/6, under LB.

▲† **Base Procurement Office,** Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho, cancelled bids to have been opened May 26, 820 units Capehart Housing, Mountain Home Air Force Base (No. 2), Inv. 60-49, MOUNTAIN HOME, IDAHO, **$13,000,000.** CD 5/10.

▲ **Campion Constr. Co.,** 202 Twenty-First St., Ogden, Utah, LB **$1,964,000,** est. $1,750,000, (11 bidders), 2 story SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL with separate SHOP BLDG., BRIGHAM CITY, UTAH. Box Elder County Bd. Educ., Brigham City, Utah. Bids Apr. 27. CD 4/5.

† **M.J.B. Constr. Co.,** 661 E. 32 St., Yuma, Ariz., LB **$352,879** (5 bidders), road and utilities at Drone Test Facility, ENG-04-353-60-85, FORT HUACHUCA, ARIZ. U.S. Eng., 751 S. Figueroa St., Los Angeles, Calif. Bids May 3. CD 4/27.

H. S. Ferguson Co., 1927 1 Ave. S., Seattle, Wash., CA Est. **$400,000,** 120x330 ft., rein.-con. equipment FACTORY, with 36x46 ft. OFFICE, SEATTLE, WASH. Clough Equipment Co., 2739 6 Ave. S., Seattle, Wash. CD 5/17.

▲ **Rossmoor Builders, Inc.,** 3402 Rossmoor Way, Los Alamitos, Calif., Owner Builds, **$4,832,947,** 277 frame, stucco DWELLINGS, Los Alamitos area, LOS ALAMITOS, CALIF.

Bartelson Dev. No. 1, 504 Tolouse St., Riverside, Calif., Owner Builds, **$435,500,** 33 stucco DWELLINGS, Mary Lee Ranchos Sub Tract, BANNING, CALIF.

South Coast Constr. Co., 230 30th St., Newport Beach, Calif., CA **$160,000,** 270x630 ft. FACTORY, 1644 Whittier Ave., COSTA MESA, CALIF. Servon Instrument Co., Inc., 640 Terminal Way, Costa Mesa, Calif. W. Jordan, 771 W. 19th St., Costa Mesa, Calif., archt.

Harris Constr. Co., P.O. Box 109, Fresno, Calif., CA **$588,130,** frame, stucco ext. walls, concrete slabs, composition roof. Richard J. Neutra ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, LEMOORE, CALIF. Central Union Elementary School Dist., 15783 18th Ave., Lemoore, Calif. Bids Apr. 28. CD 5/6, under LB.

▲ **Fred S. Macomber Co.,** 8818 Melrose Ave., Los Angeles, Calif., CA **$2,162,000,** TUBERCULAR SEGREGATION and RECALCITRANT UNIT, Mira Loma Facility, Lancaster, LOS ANGELES, CALIF. Bd. Supervs., Los Angeles Co., 501 Hall of Records, Los Angeles, Calif. Bids Feb. 24, awarded Mar. 8. CD 2/26, under LB.

▲ **Bob Long Constr. Co.,** P.O. Box 1623, Fresno, Calif., CA **$1,521,050,** 279 room, 68,362 sq. ft. steel frame and masonry OUT-PATIENTS BLDG., San Joaquin General Hospital, French Camp, STOCKTON, CALIF. San Joaquin County, Courthouse, Stockton, Calif. Bids Mar. 28. CD 4/4, under LB.

Frank H. Ayres & Son, 633 S. Shatto Pl., Los Angeles, Calif., CA **$725,500,** 55 stucco DWELLINGS, Newport Shores, Tract 772, NEWPORT BEACH, CALIF. Newport Shores Co., 633 S. Shatto Pl., Los Angeles, Calif.

CANADA

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

▲† **Labrador, Goose Bay**—AIRFIELD FACILITIES (CY-60)—BA 6/9—U.S. Eng., 346 Broadway, New York 13, N. Y., airfield facilities, incl. A/C weapons calibration shelter, 1 story, steel frame, 6,300 sq. ft., concrete fdns., readiness crew addn. with concrete block bearing walls, three ramps, readiness hangar, etc. Goose Air Base, ENG-30-347-60-30. Over $1,000,000. CD 5/2.

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **Ont., Brampton**—HOSPITAL—BA 6/7—Peel Memorial Hospital Bd., Brampton, hospital extensions, $1,500,000. Plans deposit $50. Govan, Ferguson, Lindsay, Kaminker, Langley & Keenleyside, 10 Price St., Toronto, archts. CD 3/7/56.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

Terminal Constr. Co. Ltd., 4920 Western Ave., Montreal, Que., and **Tallman Constr. Co. Ltd.,** 600 Panet Rd., Winnipeg, Man., LB **$399,619,** aircraft parking apron, entrance roads and car parking area at International Airport, EDMONTON, ALTA. Dpt. Transport, Hunter Bldg., Ottawa, Ont. Bids May 12. CD 5/4.

▲ **Poole-Pritchard Canada Ltd.,** 2402 2A St. SE, Calgary, Alta., CA Est. **$1,000,000,** compressor station for natural gas pipe line, Portage LaPrairie, MANITOBA, Trans-Canada Pipe Lines, Ltd., 150 Eglinton Ave. E, Toronto, Ont., Bids Apr. 20, CD 4/11;
Catalytic Constr. Co. of Canada Ltd., 149 N. Victoria St., Sarnia, Ont., CA Est. **$1,000,000,** compressor station for natural gas pipe line, Rapid City (Manitoba).

▲ **Montreal Engineering Co.,** P. O. Box 250, Place d'Armes, Montreal, Que., CA Est. **$1,000,000,** compressor station for natural gas pipe line, Ramore, ONTARIO. Trans-Canada Pipe Lines Ltd., 150 Eglinton Ave. S., Toronto, Ont. CD 4/8.

▲ **Marwell Constr. Co., Ltd.,** 1500 W. Georgia St., Vancouver, B. C., CA Est. **$1,000,000,** compressor station for natural gas pipe line, Cabri, SASKATCHEWAN. Trans-Canada Pipe Lines, Inc., 150 Eglinton Ave. E., Toronto, Ont., Bids Apr. 20, Grand total est. $4,000,000. CD 4/12;
Canadian Kellogg Co. Ltd., 33 Bloor St. E., Toronto, Ont., CA Est. **$1,000,000,** compressor station for natural gas pipe line Grenfell (Saskatchewan);
Brown & Root Ltd., 332-7th Ave. SW, Calgary, Alta. and Hy. 14, Edmonton, Alta., CA Est. **$1,000,000,** compressor station for natural gas pipe line, Herbert (Saskatchewan);
Perini Corp., 49 Jackes Ave., Toronto, Ont., CA Est. **$1,000,000,** compressor station for natural gas pipe line, Regina (Saskatchewan).

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Lubecker Maschinenbaug,** Lubeck, Germany, and **M. W. Kellogg Co. Ltd.,** Calgary, Alta. and 711 3rd Ave., New York, N. Y. U. S. A., CA PLANT to extract oil from tar sands, incl. dehydration, coking, and desulfurization, near Athabasca, ALBERTA, Great Canadian Oil Sands Ltd., 508 8th Ave. W., Calgary, Alta. Total est. **$99,355,035;**
Mannix Co. Ltd., 737 8th Ave. S. W. Calgary, Alta., CA, 16 in. pipe line from plant to Inter-provincial Tank Farm, Calgary, bridge and road (Alberta);
Link Belt Ltd., 1960 Eglinton St. E., Scarborough, Toronto, Ont., CA, mining and conveying systems (Alberta).

▲ **Foundation Co. of Canada Ltd.,** 902 11th Ave. SW, Calgary, Alta., CA **$2,369,247,** HIGH SCHOOL, Elbow Dr. and 5th Ave. S. W., CALGARY, ALTA. Calgary Public School Bd., 4th Ave. and 6th St. W., Calgary, Alta. Bids Apr. 28, awarded May 11. CD 4/11.

▲ **Modern Constr. Co. Ltd.,** Box 669, Moncton, N. B., CA Est. **$2,500,000,** 2 story, rein.-con., steel SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF, AMHERST, N. S. N. S. Dpt. P. Wks., Parliament Bldgs., Halifax, N. S. Bids Mar. 17. CD 3/9.

▲ **Bird Constr. Co. Ltd.,** Box 388, Port Arthur, Ont., CA **$2,550,777,** three wings inter connected 3 story, 62 x 233 ft. centre wing, two 2 story, 34 x 52 ft. wings HOSPITAL, PORT ARTHUR, ONT. Dpt. P. Wks., Rm. 6630, East Block, Parliament Bldgs., Toronto, Ont. Bids Mar. 30, awarded May 9. CD 4/16, under LB.

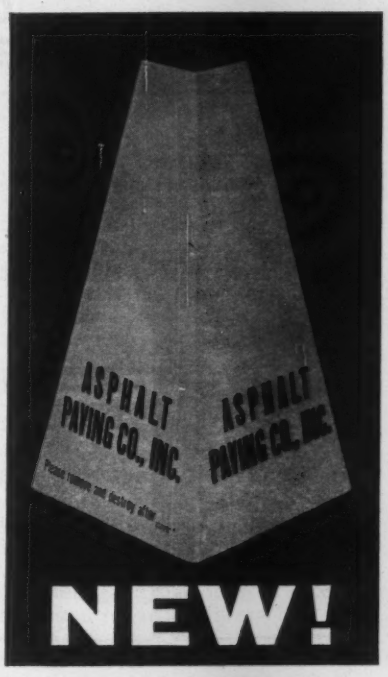
▲ **Magil Constr. Ltd.,** 410 Gratton St., St. Laurent, Que., LB **$1,700,000,** 2 story, rein.-con., brick, PLANT and OFFICES, Hodge St., MONTREAL, QUE. H. Simon & Sons Ltd., 151 Rockland Rd., Mount Royal, Montreal, Que. Bids Apr. 8. CD 3/25.

▲ **Montclair Constr. Co.,** 5515 Upper Lachine Rd., Montreal, Que., CA **$1,500,000,** (7 bidders), PLANT expansion, MONTREAL, QUE. Gattuso Corp., 5205 Cote de Liesse Rd., Montreal, Que. Bids June 22. CD 6/22.

PUERTO RICO

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ **PUERTO RICO**—P. Wks. Dpt., Stop 23, San Juan, **Vicente Valdivieso, Inc.,** Box 13335, Cayey, Puerto Rico, LB **$2,326,905,** 13.402 km. highway leveling and drainage, San German-Hormigueros, Proj. F-2-5(4).



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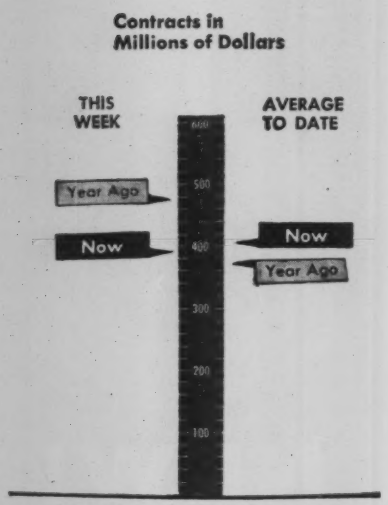


AMOUNT OF CONTRACTS LET

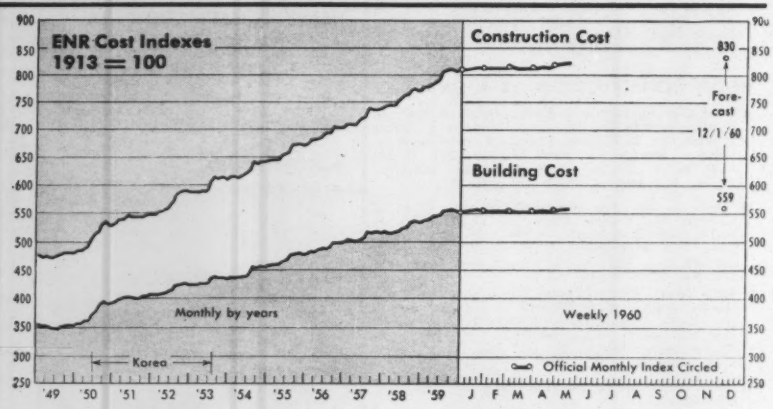
Contracts Awarded In 50 States By Type	This Week millions	Cum. 21 wks 1960	Chge '59-'60 %
All Heavy Construction	$389.1	$8,477.3	+ 8
By Ownership			
PRIVATE	173.2	4,529.3	+19
PUBLIC	215.9	3,948.0	− 2
State & Municipal	175.9	3,037.5	+ 5
Federal	40.0	910.5	−21
By Type of Work			
PUBLIC			
Waterworks	4.7	182.4	− 2
Sewerage	8.8	213.3	−15
Bridges*	6.9	353.3	+51
Highways	107.1	1,253.2	+ 7
Earthworks, Dams & Waterways	22.8	288.3	− 9
Buildings:			
Excl. Housing	43.3	930.7	− 8
Housing	1.1	203.9	−22
Unclassified	21.2	524.3	−14
PRIVATE			
Buildings:			
Mass Housing	92.7	2,257.4	+38
Commercial	43.3	858.1	− 7
Industrial	23.2	1,023.3	− 6
Unclassified	14.0	389.1	+143

*Includes Private bridges

NOTE: Minimum size projects included are: Waterworks and waterways, $53,000; other public works, $88,000; industrial buildings, $110,000; other buildings, $400,000.

NEW CONSTRUCTION CAPITAL

	Week of May 19 millions	Cum. 20 wks 1960	Chge '59-'60 %
Corporate Securities	$ 43.2	$1,070.2	−24
State and Municipal:			
All Except Housing	98.9	2,634.6	+ 1
Housing	....	13.6	−56
Federal Loans	3.5	66.3	+16
Federal Aid	....	2,717.8	....
Total Nonfederal	$145.6	$6,502.5	+58
Federal Appropriations:			
Projects in U. S.	....	168.1	....
Outside U. S.	....	6.8	....
Total New Capital	$145.6	$6,677.4	+62



ENR INDEXES (1913=100), 20-cities' average	Week of May 19 1960	% Change from Apr 21 1960	% Change from May 21 1959
Construction Cost	823.80	+1.11	+3.64
Building Cost	558.91	+0.43	+2.03

To convert above indexes to 1926 = 100: Divide Construction Cost by 2.080; Building Cost by 1.850.
1949 = 100: Divide Construction Cost by 4.770; Building Cost by 3.518.

Latest Month . . .

BACKLOG OF PROPOSED HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

	April 1960 (millions)	Percent Change from last Month	Percent Change from last Year
Total U. S. (50 states)	$122,174	−0.2	+ 8.4
By Ownership—			
Private	54,243	−0.01	+14.0
State & Municipal	53,653	−0.1	+ 4.7
Federal	14,278	−0.9	+ 3.0
By Type of Work—			
Waterworks	2,893	+0.5	+19.8
Sewerage	3,888	+0.2	+14.0
Bridges	3,323	−1.9	− 3.6
Highways	13,831	−0.1	+ 2.6
Earthwork, Dams and Waterways	11,971	−0.3	− 2.4
Public Buildings	22,146	+0.1	+10.0
Industrial Buildings	17,361	−0.7	+ 4.1
Commercial Buildings	26,259	+0.5	+24.9
Unclassified, Private	10,622*	0	− 7.6
Unclassified, Public	9,879	−1.1	− 0.6

* Includes Private Bridges, $95 million.

FLOW OF NEW PROJECTS INTO THE BACKLOG

	1960 Apr. (millions)	1960 4-months (millions)	Percent Change† from 1959 Apr.	Percent Change† from 1959 4-Mos.
Total U. S. (50 states)	$1,410	$8,824	−25.3	+19.4
By Ownership—				
Private	850	4,914	−17.0	+34.1
State & Municipal	523	3,448	−10.6	+25.2
Federal	37	462	−86.7	−18.0
By Type of Work—				
Waterworks	37	133	+53.5	−20.8
Sewerage	54	229	+12.6	+ 3.9
Bridges	5	95	−77.1	−50.3
Highways	110	1,283	−43.4	+59.0
Earthwork, Dams and Waterways	9	63	−50.0	−30.3
Public Buildings	317	1,708	−32.0	+19.0
Industrial Buildings	217	1,124	+ 1.3	+ 2.1
Commercial: Mass Housing	350	2,510	−35.6	+98.0
Other Building	235	1,055	+14.0	+16.4
Unclassified, Private	48	225	−20.5	−41.9
Unclassified, Public	29	398	−68.8	− 1.4

FLOW OF PROJECTS OUT OF BACKLOG INTO CONTRACTS

Total U. S. (50 states)	$862	$3,206	+ 6.3	− 1.2
By Ownership—				
Private	339	1,267	+37.0	+12.8
State & Municipal	407	1,388	+17.6	− 0.1
Federal	117	551	−46.5	−24.8

† Based on average week: 4 weeks in Apr. '60, 5 weeks in Apr. '59; 17 weeks in first four months of 1960, 18 weeks in first four months of 1959.

New Rules for U. S. Surplus Sales?

- **Dawson bill would lift prohibition on sales of surplus building equipment from overseas.**
- **CIMA spokesman claims "mass importation will add to the deterioration of the industry."**

Hundreds of millions of dollars worth of construction equipment used by U. S. agencies abroad and declared surplus could be put on the market here if Congress passes an Administration-backed bill authorizing these imports.

The House of Representatives' Government Operations Committee last Friday approved a bill, HR 9996, that would permit domestic disposal of foreign-generated surplus property unless the Secretary of Commerce decides its importation would be harmful to the country's economy.

Under existing law the situation is just the reverse. Section 402 of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 prohibits importation and domestic sale of surplus property from abroad unless the Secretary of Commerce decides that it would "relieve a domestic shortage or otherwise be beneficial to the economy of the country."

In other words, under HR 9996, proposed by Rep. William Dawson (D., Ill.), the Secretary of Commerce would have to take action to keep the construction equipment and other items out. As it stands now, he has to act to let any of it in.

There's little chance the bill will be passed this session. It's now in the Rules Committee, which may not let it onto the floor for vote. There is increasing protectionist sentiment in Congress these days. Also, there are more important pieces of legislation to be handled yet this session. If the Dawson bill isn't passed before the end of the session, it will die and have to be reintroduced for passage.

The Department of Commerce helped Representative Dawson write his bill. Administration support of the measure marks a switch in policy. Officials now believe changes are desirable to bring foreign property disposals into line with the wide excess-property disposals of domestic stockpiles.

Other backers of the Dawson bill are the National Association of Foreign Excess Property Importers and the Machinery Dealers National Association.

The legislation has stiff opposition from business groups, particularly the Construction Industry Manufacturers Association. CIMA claims that any broadening of the surplus import laws would harm the industry. The group has long fought to keep heavy construction equipment—from the Spanish and North African bases, for instance—from being brought back to the U. S. for sale.

Sold at public auction, this construction equipment can go at 50% to as low as 95% below the original purchase price. Heavy equipment, such as 50-ton cranes, aren't likely to sell at the 95% discount, but small units, such as compressors, portable power plants and pumps, could go that cheaply, dealers say.

During fiscal year 1959 only $6 million worth of government-owned surplus goods came into the U. S. from abroad. This amount is less than 0.5% of the $1.4 billion in goods declared excess overseas that year. Most of the surplus was bought by foreign businessmen.

The Department of Commerce officials make no estimate of just how much additional foreign excess property could be brought in under the Dawson bill, but they say it would be significantly greater than $6 million worth imported in 1959.

There are no definite reports on the value of surplus construction equipment abroad. Industry officials estimate that as much as $400 million worth of heavy building machinery would become available under the Dawson bill.

Robert McKenrick, executive vice president of CIMA, told a subcommittee of the House Committee on Government Operations in March: "Enactment of HR 9996 would destroy the protection that is now afforded this industry and would not only permit, but also would encourage, the mass importation of foreign-generated government surplus equipment, adding to the further deterioration of an industry that is already operating at slightly over 50% capacity."

The Department of Commerce established the capacity of the construction equipment manufacturers at $3 billion annually. Department statistics show 1959 sales were $1.8 billion and 1958 sales were $1.9 billion.

"There is not now and never has been a domestic shortage of construction machinery in this country under peacetime conditions," said Mr. McKenrick.

"The recent steel strike did not generate a shortage of construction machinery and equipment. Any layoffs at the factories or any reduction in production activity was not from a shortage of steel, but was entirely due to the large finished inventories that had been built up by the manufacturers and their retail distributing organizations in excess of the end users' requirements."

Other spokesmen for the industry say the Dawson bill would flood the construction equipment market if it were passed. Some go even farther and say that the 1949 law does not provide adequate protection. By some means, they say, surplus equipment from abroad comes into the U. S. and is sold. They want stronger enforcement of the existing law.

Commerce Department officials don't agree that passage of the Dawson bill would result in a flooded market. They reason that the department would still make the final determination of what could be brought in and it would give ample consideration to domestic interests.

Commerce feels that foreign businessmen would continue to pick up a substantial amount of excess disposals, though somewhat less than the 90% they have taken in recent years.

The amount of surplus to be disposed of is declining, these officials say. In fiscal '59, $1.4 billion worth was declared excess. That amount will drop to $400 million and possibly less in fiscal 1960. The large disposals of recent years reflect a working off of Korean War stocks.

During World War II, 90% of the domestic production of construction machinery was scheduled for military use.

During the Korean War, 55% of the entire domestic output was diverted from the end user to military channels.

The imports of the past few years have been limited, for the most part, to a few specific items. One-quarter of the disposals during fiscal 1959 went for scrap. The bulk of the other imports of surplus were automobile and aircraft parts, tires, metals and some machinery.

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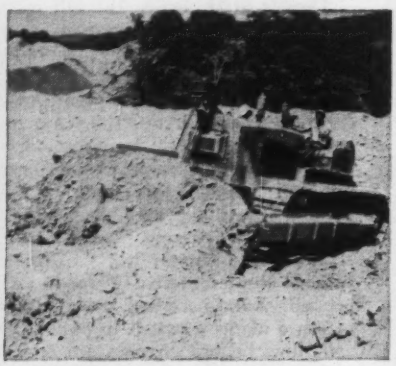

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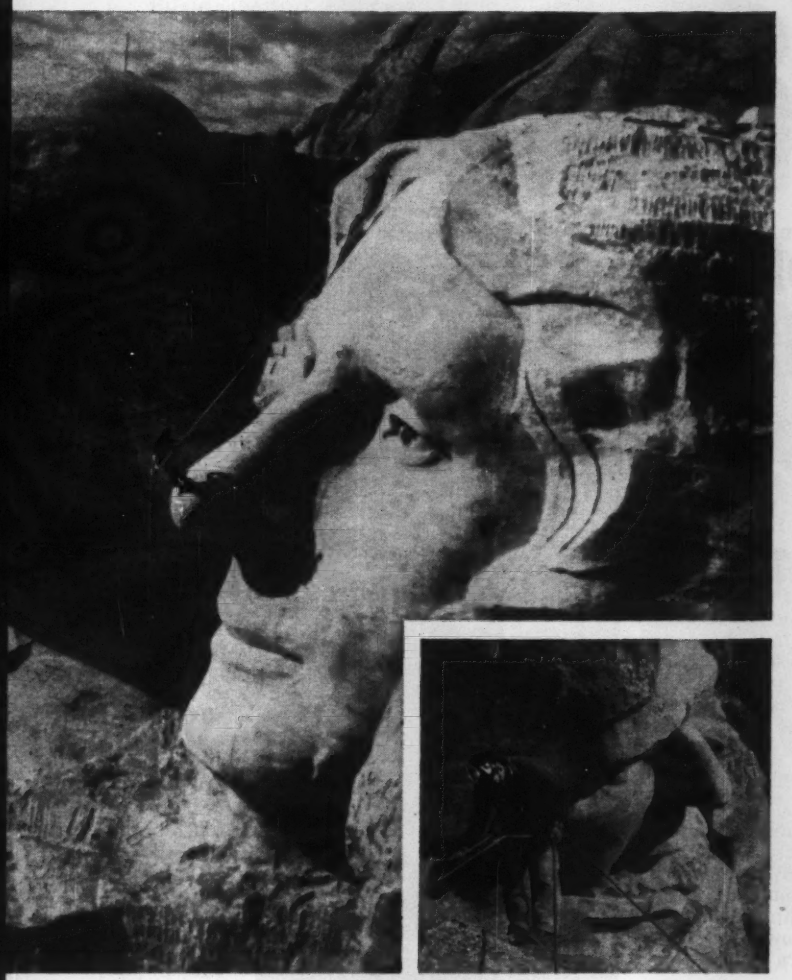

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California Is Set to Vote On $700-Million in Bonds

Bond proposals totaling $700 million will be on the ballots when California holds its primary election on June 7. Of the total, $300 million would go for school construction. Veterans' farm and home loans claim the remainder.

The school bonds would provide funds for lending to local school districts.

In Fresno, voters will also act on $17.5 million of local bond proposals. Earmarked for seven new schools is $9.5 million worth of bonds. Another $6 million would pay for replacement of and additions to existing schools. The remaining $2 million would cover cost of site acquisition and equipment.

Construction to Start On $30-Million Terminal

The San Francisco Port Authority last week authorized the sale of $15 million worth state harbor bonds to finance a construction-start on a $30-million port terminal. It will be constructed on a 60-acre site.

Construction may start by early fall, although no details on bid calls have been announced.

The terminal will consist of finger piers and have berthing capacity for eight or nine cargo ships. Preliminary plans call for lifting installations to handle container cargo and trailerships.

The bonds scheduled for sale are part of a $50-million issue approved by voters in 1958. Last fall, the authority sold $7.5 million worth of bonds to retire $5.6 million worth of outstanding issues.

Tire Firm Plans to Spend $120 Million for Plants

Firestone Tire & Rubber Co., Akron, is spending $120 million for construction and modernization of production facilities in this country and abroad.

Harvey S. Firestone, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, says the money has already been appropriated.

Included in company plans are five new plants. Tire manufacturing facilities are under way in Calgary, Alberta, Can. and Bethume, France.

Synthetic rubber plants will be constructed in Port Jerome, France, and Bareilly, India. A new plant will be completed this year in Orange, Tex.

Expansion and modernization programs are under way at all of the company's installations in North America. Included are plants at Akron, Memphis, Des Moines, Los Angeles, and Pottstown, Pa.

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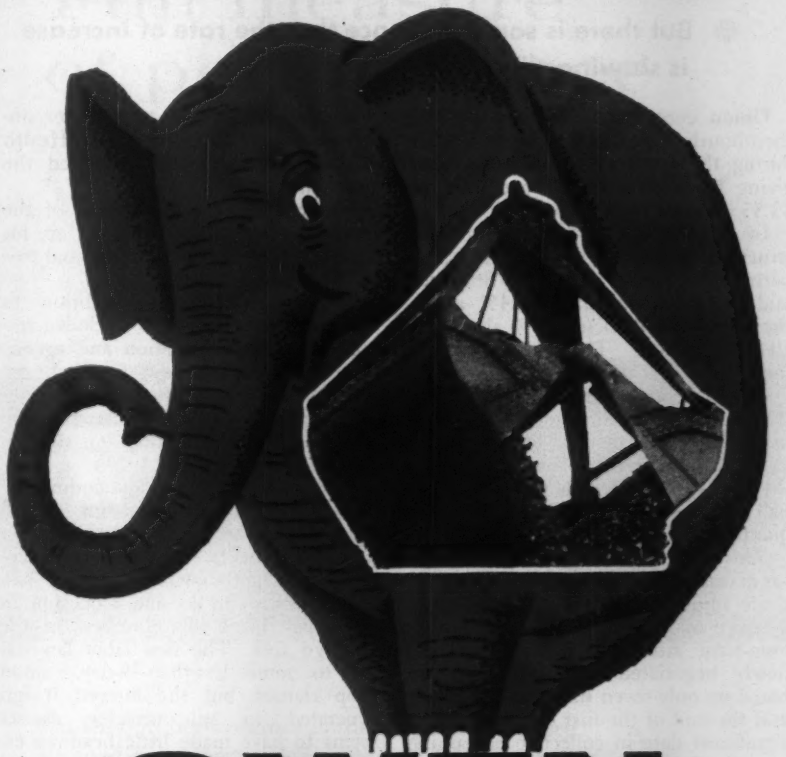

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Bargaining Stiff, Wages Rise

- **Construction union hourly wages are up to $3.55; that's 14.7 cents higher than in April, '59.**
- **But there is some evidence that the rate of increase is slowing slightly.**

Union construction workers pushed their hourly wage scales up by 14.7 cents during the last four calendar quarters, giving them an average wage scale of $3.55 an hour on April 1.

In its first quarter report on construction wages, the U.S. Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics said the increase averaged 4.4% above the April 1959 level and 72% above the 1947-49 average. The bureau's figure for the calendar year 1959 was 4.7%.

Although the report indicates the systematic continuation of a long-established trend, there may be some consolation in the BLS observation that **the 1960-first quarter rise was only about half of those registered in the first quarters of the past two years.**

This in itself may not mean much for several reasons: The BLS figures include adjustments caused by automatic, deferred wage increases under existing long-term labor contracts as well as newly negotiated increases; they are based on only seven trades in 100 cities; and the end of the first quarter is not a significant date in collective bargaining because the bulk of settlements occur in the late spring and early summer.

While it is too early to tell how 1960 will shape up, there may be some supporting evidence that the annual rate of construction wage increases is slowing down.

The average of the increases granted for 1960 in 35 new settlements recently reported to ENR, for 14 different trades in 19 areas, for example, is a little over 12 cents—or about two cents under last year's average. The settlements were achieved in comparatively stiff bargaining marked by protracted negotiations and some strikes.

This group of settlements conforms in other respects, however, to the old patterns:

- Increases effective in 1960 range from a low of 4½ cents an hour to a high of 20 cents. Twenty-four of the contracts grant wage hikes of 10 cents or more; 11 of them call for increases of 15 cents or more.
- Five of the contracts pay the 1960 increase in two installments.
- Eight settlements provide for improvements in fringe benefits. Health and welfare and pensions evoked the most interest.
- More than two-thirds (24) of the contracts are for two years. Six are for one year, three for three years, and two for four years.

Bargaining issues, in addition to wages and fringe benefits, included hiring hall provisions, union and agency shop clauses, travel pay, moonlighting, overtime pay, apprenticeship contributions, show-up pay and clauses that impose the contract terms on subcontractors.

Neither the "Ten Commandments" nor the Landrum-Griffin labor law appear to have had much of an impact on bargaining results. One notable exception was negotiation of a specific ban against coffee breaks and reduction in travel pay for 6,800 plumbers in the Chicago area. The new labor law has led to some less-than-30-days union shop clauses, but the interest it has generated in subcontractor clauses seems to have made little headway except in the generation of friction and strikes.

Among the new contracts in this group of 35 are these:

- Chicago plumbers took a two-year contract for a 10-cent increase in wages this year and 15 cents next year. They also get a six-cent addition to the welfare contribution. Payment of carfare and travel expenses has been halted except in two work areas. Time off for coffee breaks is specifically prohibited.
- Rhode Island teamsters employed by members of the Associated General Contractors agreed to a four-year contract calling for annual wage increases of 5, 12, 10 and 10 cents. The contract calls for establishment this year of a health and welfare fund to which employers will contribute eight cents an hour.
- Laborers in Rochester, N. Y., have accepted a 32-cent package (14½ cents in wages and 17½ cents in fringes) in a two-year contract. Wages will be increased 4½ cents this year and 10 cents next year. Effective this year, employer contributions for hospitalization will be increased 2½ cents and a 10-cent employer contribution to a new pension plan will commence. Next year the pension contribution will go to 15 cents.
- A new three-year agreement between teamsters and the Minnesota AGC gives annual increases of 15, 13 and 12 cents. The contract contains an eight-day union shop clause.
- Carpenters in Muncie, Ind., settled for 25 cents in wages and 10 cents in fringe benefits in a two-year contract. They get an immediate pay boost of 10 cents, a new 7½-cent health and welfare plan, 2½ cents more in wages October 1, 1960 and another 15-cent wage increase next May 1. An agency shop clause, getting around the state's right-to-work-law, will require nonunion workers to pay the union a sum of money equal to initiation fees, dues and assessments paid by union members.
- Iron workers (reinforcing) in Dayton, Ohio, settled for a two-year contract calling for annual increases of 20 and 15 cents, each payable in two installments.

Strikes have occurred or are still in progress in a number of areas. Recent trouble spots have included Tampa, Fla.; Baltimore, Md.; Rochester, N. Y.; Providence, R. I.; Scranton, Pa.; Eastern Indiana; Des Moines, Iowa; St. Louis, Mo.; Memphis, Tenn.; Albuquerque, N. M. and San Diego, Calif.

Labor Attacks Practices That Nullify Pay Boosts

The AFL-CIO has developed another educational program to increase its finesse in collective bargaining.

Working with the University of Wisconsin School for Workers, it has set up four training courses designed to help union staff members at the international and local levels deal with time study, wage incentive and job evaluation problems.

An AFL-CIO spokesman claims that management has been able to nullify wage increases "by downgrading jobs, increasing work loads and lowering incentive earnings." He said the new program should put union staff members in a better position to deal effectively with such "abuses."

The training will be given in four industrial engineering institutes to be held in June at the University of Wisconsin.

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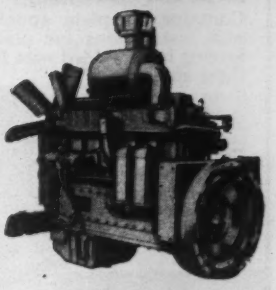

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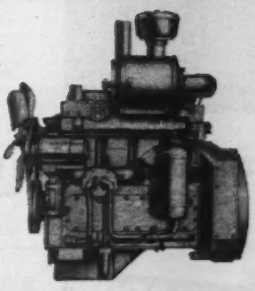

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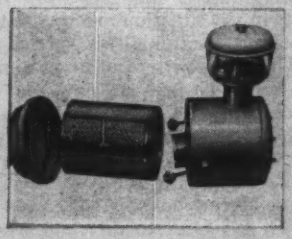

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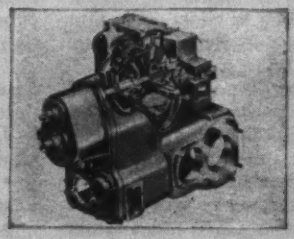

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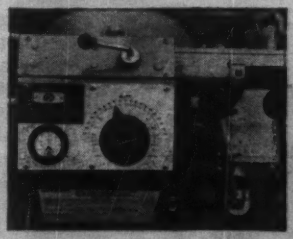

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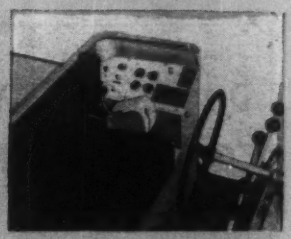

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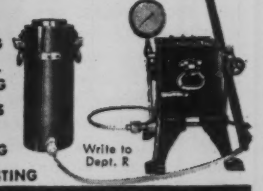

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ESA Union Loses an Election

An affiliate of Engineers and Scientists of America has lost its representation rights at Western Electric Co., Inc.

The National Labor Relations Board, after conducting the largest representation election it has ever held among professional workers, reported that Western Electric engineers voted 3,970 to 2,630 against the union.

Initial reaction of labor leaders was that the election results are a blow to union drives to organize and represent professional and technical workers.

The vote was a rejection of the Council of Western Electric Professional Employees, which has had representation rights at Western Electric.

The union had asked for the NLRB election in an effort to remove technical workers from the scope of its bargaining responsibility for purely professional employees. It now contends that the election was held on a broader base than it should have been and that nonprofessionals were allowed to vote. The union, like all ESA affiliates, seeks to represent professional workers exclusively.

The issue of what represents an appropriate unit was the subject of involved and lengthy NLRB proceedings before the election was held.

The labor board held that the controlling factor in determining whether individuals are professionals is the character of the work performed rather than individual qualifications. Particular emphasis had been placed by the union on formal engineering education or equivalent experience.

About 6,750 "engineers" were declared eligible to vote. The balloting was conducted in 51 plant locations in 14 states and at 20 island and overseas locations.

Negroes Rejected for D.C. Job

A biracial group of experts has turned down five Negroes seeking to be the first members of their race hired for work as electricians in the nation's capital.

The experts, including three Negroes, told the General Services Administration that the Negroes did not possess adequate technical qualifications necessary for work on two construction projects in the District of Columbia.

The rejection of the Negroes represented a setback for the President's Committee on Government Contracts, which had tried to get Negroes hired for work on the projects—Federal Office Building No. 6 and the Smithsonian Institution (ENR May 12, p. 118).

The committee accused Local 26 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers of discriminating against Negroes and failing to allow them into the local. Contractors for the work hire from the union by referral.

The committee then recommended that GSA study the matter further and screen the applications of the five Negroes who were recommended by the Washington Urban League.

GSA set up a panel of four persons, one a Negro, from GSA and another panel composed of six outside electrical contractors and engineers to review the applications. In addition, opinions were solicited from four other electrical engineers, two of whom were Negroes.

Without exception, the experts agreed that the Negro applicants were not qualified technically. In general, it was felt that the big difficulty facing Negroes seeking work in heavy electrical construction projects is the lack of any training school for them in the city. The only training school for apprentice electricians is maintained by the all-white Local 26.

Top officials of the IBEW washed their hands of the GSA investigation and refused to review the applications on grounds it was a local matter.

"We feel that the investigation has been both thorough and objective," wrote GSA Administrator Franklin Floete in a letter informing the President's committee of the rejection of the five applicants. The committee, headed by Vice President Nixon, did not question the findings.

Though handed a major setback, the Nixon group is not giving up in its efforts in the situation, which has taken on political overtones this election year.

"There is a pattern of discrimination that has to be broken," says one committee official.

The committee feels it has three choices:

- To try to have the National Urban League recruit qualified Negroes.
- To get GSA to ascertain whether white electricians are being hired for the job whose qualifications are less than those of the five Negro applicants who were rejected.
- To get AFL-CIO chief George Meany to supply qualified Negroes as he promised if none were hired for the job.

Labor in Brief . . .

• **Not a one-way street**—The U. S. Department of Labor has been accused of allowing corporations to reduce the Landrum-Griffin Act "to a nullity" through failure to comply with the management reporting provisions of the law. Walter Reuther, AFL-CIO vice president, has called on Labor Secretary James Mitchell to issue the necessary forms and enforce the law.

• **Right-to-work**—Voters in Mississippi will go to the polls June 7 to decide whether to accept or reject a proposal that the state's right-to-work law banning the union shop be inserted in the state constitution.

• **Another "alphabet" movement**—The teamsters union has begun its first national effort toward voter education with the formation of DRIVE—its Democratic, Republican, Independent Voter Education program. Joint Councils have the prime responsibility for carrying out the "grass roots" program of political and legislative action to make labor's influence felt at all levels of government.

• **Work hindered**—A labor dispute with a local of the teamsters union has hindered work on the $7.5-million Boston Common underground garage and on the second tunnel to East Boston, Mass. In litigation before the National Labor Relations Board and a federal court, the union is charged with secondary boycott activity to organize a trucking concern working on the projects.

• **Curb contributions?**—Sen. Barry Goldwater (R., Ariz.) has proposed that Congress curb the political power of labor unions by forbidding anyone but individuals to make political contributions. He said use of union dues to support candidates "seriously compromises American freedom."

• **Equipment operators**—The Weiser, Idaho, Western School of Heavy Equipment Operation, celebrating its third anniversary this month, has turned out a total of 900 graduates. The school is owned and operated by members of the Idaho and Oregon chapters of Associated General Contractors.

Prevailing Wage Bill Vetoed

An interesting twist in the controversial issue of prevailing wages has been rejected by Rhode Island's Gov. Christopher Del Sesto (R.).

The governor vetoed a bill that would have required contractors working on public projects to pay wages and fringe benefits equal to those received by union workers under collective bargaining agreements.

Existing state law does require the payment of prevailing wages. But these are wages determined by the state Department of Labor to be the rates received by a majority of workers, union and nonunion, employed in specific occupations.

In vetoing the bill, the governor said the measure would "delegate to representatives of organized labor and certain employers the power to determine the prevailing rate of wages in a trade, craft or occupation, whether or not the employees covered in collective bargaining agreements represent a majority of all workers in a specific trade, craft or occupation."

Result, the governor continued, could well be "that the wages paid to a small minority of workers in a trade, craft or occupation would in effect set the pattern for all workers in a trade, craft or occupation.

He remarked that sponsors of the bill apparently misunderstood the intent of the existing law, which, he said, is designed to prevent the payment of substandard wages.

The central issue of what are "prevailing" wages is not new to members of the construction industry. The federal Davis-Bacon provisions are similar to the existing Rhode Island one. They require the Secretary of Labor to take into account the wages paid to all workers in an area, whether union or nonunion.

Critics of the federal procedure, however, frequently contend that the secretary is guided by union rates.

Governor Del Sesto also expressed the opinion that the proposed state law might raise construction costs through the substitution of qualifying subcontractors after the awarding of contracts. He observed, too, that it might prejudice the state's right to federal aid on various projects. He offered a letter from U. S. Commissioner of Public Roads Ellis L. Armstrong supporting this.

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Bids: June 21, 1960

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St. Lawrence (Rte. 56)	R.C. 60-81	Potsdam-Norwood, S.H. 1032	5.37	Asphalt Concrete, Type 1A	$10,000 Plans $5	188,000
Clinton	FASSRC 60-5	Ellenburg-Irona, C.R. 55 (FAS-SS 40-11) Project S-167(4)	6.41	Asph. Conc. Type 1A	$10,000 Plans $5	183,000
Jefferson (Rte. 11)	FARC 60-64	Watertown-Philadelphia, Pt. 1, S.H. 5651 Project F-206(7)	1.35	Asph. Conc. Type 1A	$3,000 Plans $5	55,000
Lewis	FASSRC 60-6	Indian River-Remington Corners, CR 11 (FASS 51-4) Project S-337(3)	10.67	Asph. Conc. Type 1A	$19,000 Plans $5	319,000
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Sullivan (Rte. 52)	R.C. 60-79	Stone Bridge-Falls Mills, S.H. 824 Jeffersonville-Kenoza Lake-Fosterdale, S.H. 795	5.78	Asphalt Concrete	$12,000 Plans $5	221,000
Broome (Rte. 79)	R.C. 60-71	Harpursville-Ouaquaga, S.H. 1106 Harpursville, S.H. 210; Center Village, S.H. 211	4.79	Asphalt Concrete	$10,000 Plans $5	183,000
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Delaware (Rte. 10)	R.C. 60-75	Bloomville-Hobart, Pt. 2, S.H. 8118	6.60	Asphalt Concrete	$15,000 Plans $5	279,000
Delaware (Rte. 10)	R.C. 60-73	Rockrift-Colchester, S.H. 1271	6.46	Asphalt Concrete	$14,000 Plans $5	247,000
Otsego (Rte. 205)	R.C. 60-69	West Oneonta-Hartwick, Pt. 2, S.H. 8387	5.84	Asphalt Concrete	$13,000 Plans $5	230,000
Schoharie (Rte. 30)	R.C. 60-67	Grand Gorge-Breakabeen, Pt. 2, S.H. 8312 Grand-Gorge-Breakabeen, Pt. 3, S.H. 8270	4.57	Asphalt Concrete	$10,000 Plans $5	176,000
Schoharie (Rte. 30)	R.C. 60-80	Grand Gorge-Breakabeen, Pt. 3, S.H. 8270 Grand Gorge-Breakabeen, Pt. 4, S.H. 8070	4.57	Asphalt Concrete	$10,000 Plans $5	178,000
Sullivan (Rte. 17B)	R.C. 60-70	Falls Mills-Callicoon, S.H. 823	4.80	Asphalt Concrete	$10,000 Plans $5	184,000

Any projects in this letting that are on the Federal Aid highway systems are subject to the provisions of the "Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1956", being Public Law 627, 84th Congress, approved June 29, 1956, and are also subject to the applicable New York State statutes.

In compliance with the provisions of Section 115 (Prevailing Rate of Wage), Public Law 627, the minimum wages to be paid laborers and mechanics are included in wage schedules that are set out in the bid proposal.

Maps, plans, specifications and proposal forms may be seen and obtained at the office of the State Department of Public Works, Bureau of Contracts, Albany, N. Y., and at the office of the District Engineers noted above, and may also be seen at the office of the State Department of Public Works, 270 Broadway, New York City.

The deposit for Plans and Proposal Forms for each contract is indicated above. A refund will be made in full to bidders for return of one set, in good condition, within 30 days of award, or rejection of bids; refund for all other sets in good condition, similar period, will be 50% of deposit.

Special attention of bidders is called to "Information for Bidders" in the Public Works Specifications, and to the special provisions applying to projects financed with federal funds. Award of a contract is subject to priorities and allocations under the Defense Production Act of 1950, as Amended, and all regulations issued thereunder.

Proposal for each contract must be submitted in a separate sealed envelope with the name and number of the contract plainly endorsed on the outside of the envelope. Each proposal must be accompanied by draft or certified check payable to the order of the "State of New York, Commissioner of Taxation and Finance" for the sum as specified in the advertisement and the proposal. The retention and disposal of the bidding check, the execution of the contract and bond shall conform to the provisions of the Highway Laws, as set forth in "Information for Bidders".

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

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SUPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS

OFFICIAL PROPOSALS

Bids: June 20, 1960

Construction of a Trunk Sewer and Two Pumping Stations

NOTICE OF LETTING
NEW CASTLE COUNTY, DELAWARE

SEALED PROPOSALS—Addressed to the President of the Levy Court of New Castle County, will be received by the County Engineer from qualified bidders, until 2:00 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time, Monday, June 20, 1960, at the County Engineer's Office, Room 202, County Engineering Building, Kirkwood Highway (Mailing Address: Box 165, Wilmington, Delaware). All bids received in time will be opened and read in the Hearing Room on the said day and interested parties may attend.

The work consists of the construction of a trunk sewer and two pumping stations and has been divided into four contracts, as follows:

CONTRACT 1960-4—The Meadow Road Pumping Station. The work embraces the construction of the Meadow Road Pumping Station and appurtenances and approximately 330 linear feet of 30-inch diameter gravity sewer.

CONTRACT 1960-5—South Christina Interceptor, Sections 4 and 5. The work embraces the construction of a sanitary interceptor sewer 30 inches in diameter. The total length of sewer is approximately 16,750 linear feet.

CONTRACT 1960-6—Christina Pumping Station. The work embraces the construction of the Christina Pumping Station and appurtenances and approximately 130 linear feet of 30-inch gravity sewer.

CONTRACT 1960-7—South Christina Interceptor, Section 6. The work embraces the construction of a sanitary interceptor sewer of 30 inches and 24 inches in diameter. The total length of the sewer is approximately 13,200 linear feet.

Bidders may bid on one or more contracts. The bids on each contract will be considered independently of the other contracts.

Each bid will be accompanied by a certified check or surety bond in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total bid.

Plans and specifications may be obtained at the New Castle County Engineering Building, Room 103, Kirkwood Highway, New Castle County, Delaware (Mailing Address: Box 165, Wilmington, Delaware), or at the office of Whitman, Requardt & Associates, 1304 St. Paul Street, Baltimore 2, Maryland, on and after May 27, 1960. The fee for each set of plans and specifications is Ten Dollars ($10.00), which is not refunded.

The Levy Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids received and to waive any informalities in the bids received.

JOHN TAYLOR
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OFFICIAL PROPOSALS

Bids: July 12, 1960

Notice for Proposal of Natural Gas Franchise

Proposals for an exclusive natural gas franchise will be accepted in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Wilton Manors, Florida, 524 N. E. 21st Court, Wilton Manors, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, until 8:00 o'clock P. M. on Tuesday, July 12, 1960.

Bids: July 19, 1960

The Construction of A Water Treatment Plant and Two Pumping Stations

FOR THE BOARD OF
COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS OF
THE COUNTY OF WAYNE, MICHIGAN
IN THE CITY OF ALLEN PARK

Sealed proposals will be received by the undersigned in Room 726 on the 7th Floor, City-County Building, Woodward and Jefferson Avenue, Detroit, Michigan, until 1:30 P.M., Eastern Standard Time, Tuesday, July 19, 1960, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud for Project No. W-143C-4, described as follows:

Included in the work is the construction of foundations, substructures and superstructures for the Low Lift Building, High Lift Building, Filter Building, Chemical Building, Flocculating and Settling Basins, Filtered Water Reservoirs, Clarifiers, all connecting conduits, distribution headers to the extent shown and all appurtenant structures.

The Low Lift and High Lift Buildings are combined with an area approximately 112 ft. by 450 ft. in plan. They are pile supported, rigid structural steel frame, reinforced concrete substructure walls and floors, masonry and precast concrete lift slab superstructure walls and precast concrete roof deck. The Low Lift area is built over and in conjunction with an existing caisson, 65 ft. in diameter.

The Filter Building, approximately 235 ft. by 300 ft. in plan, will have 20 rapid sand filter units each with an effective area of approximately 2,100 sq. ft. It is soil supported and has reinforced concrete frame slabs and walls, precast, pre-tensioned, concrete girders, precast concrete roof deck.

The Chemical Building, approximately 235 ft. by 130 ft. in plan, is pile supported and has structural steel frame, reinforced concrete substructure, walls and slabs, masonry superstructure walls and partitions and metal roof deck.

The Flocculating and Settling Basins and connecting conduits, are soil supported, reinforced concrete structures, throughout. Their combined area in plan is approximately 680 ft. by 592 ft.

The Filtered Water Reservoirs consist of three (3) ten million gallon steel tanks, approximately 330 ft. in diameter. There are two (2) Clarifiers of reinforced concrete construction, approximately 150 ft. in diameter, complete with mechanical equipment. Connecting piping and distribution piping is reinforced concrete water pipe (steel cylinder pipe—not prestressed), poured concrete flume and steel pipe.

The work also includes the furnishing and installation of pumps, sluice gates, wash water troughs, filter underdrain system, drain lines, chemical feed equipment, piping, valves and fittings, instrumentation and control equipment, complete heating, ventilating, air conditioning, dehumidification, plumbing, boilers, and miscellaneous piping systems, electrical power and lighting.

Also included is all rough and finish grading, paving, storm and sanitary sewers, temporary waste treatment facilities, foundation underdrains, railroad bridge and track construction, flumes, transmission mains and vaults.

Plans, specifications, and proposal blanks may be secured by prospective bidders upon application in Room 726 on the 7th Floor, City-County Building, Woodward and Jefferson Avenues, Detroit, Michigan. A fee of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) will be charged for each set of plans and proposal blanks furnished to the bidders, which will be refunded to those bidders who submit a bona fide bid to the Board and return the plans within fifteen (15) days after the time set for opening of bids.

Each sealed bid shall be accompanied by a bid guaranty, made payable to the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Wayne, Michigan, consisting of a certified or cashier's chceck in the amount of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($150,000.00) and a bid bond executed by the bidder and a corporate surety licensed to do business in the State of Michigan, in the amount of One Million Dollars ($1,000,000.00).

Proposals which have been submitted shall not be withdrawn after the time set for the opening of bids.

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any informalities in bids, and to accept the bid that, in the opinion of the Board, is to the best interests of the Board and of the County of Wayne, Michigan.

Board of County Road Commissioners
of the County of Wayne, Michigan
Charles L. Wilson, Chairman
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William E. Kreger, Commissioner

OFFICIAL PROPOSALS

U. S. Government

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Reclamation. Sealed bids (Specifications No. DC-5343) will be received at Fargo, North Dakota, until 10 a.m., Central Standard Time, June 28, 1960, for furnishing labor and materials for Garrison-Minot-Rugby 115-Kilovolt Transmission Line, Transmission Division, North Dakota, Missouri River Basin Project. Location in Mercer, McLean, Ward, McHenry and Pierce Counties, North Dakota. Principal items are 893 structures—Furnishing and constructing structures of various types and maximum pole lengths; 115.44 miles of line—Furnishing and stringing ACSR conductors of various sizes; 691,000 pounds—Furnishing and erecting steel towers; and other work. Completion time 450 days. For particulars, address Bureau of Reclamation, P. O. Box 2553, Billings, Montana; P. O. Box 1993, Fargo, North Dakota; or Building 53, Denver Federal Center, Denver 25, Colorado. Floyd E. Dominy, Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Reclamation. Sealed bids (Invitation No. DS-5341) will be received at Denver, Colorado, until 2 p.m., Mountain Standard Time, June 21, 1960, for furnishing twenty-four (24), 12-foot 5-inch by 15-foot 11⅛-inch bulkhead gates, with seats, guides and lifting frame for Glen Canyon Powerplant, Colorado River Storage Project, Arizona-Utah. Delivery is desired within 240 days. For particulars, address Bureau of Reclamation, Building 53, Denver Federal Center, Denver 25, Colorado. Floyd E. Dominy, Commissioner.

Department of Commerce, Bureau of Public Roads, May 17, 1960. SEALED BIDS will be received at the office of J. L. Obenschain, Division Engineer, Bureau of Public Roads, Gatlinburg, Tennessee, until 11:00 a.m., E.S.T., JUNE 16, 1960, for Project 8G2, Foothills Parkway, Blount County, Tennessee. Grading, Draining, Crushed Aggregate Base, Bituminous Surface Treatment, Box Culvert Overpass, and other work from Murray Gap northeasterly for 3.874 miles. The approximate quantities of the more important items are 278,200 cu. yd. Excavation, 26,000 tons Crushed Aggregate Base, and 390 cu. yd. Concrete. Minimum wage rates have been fixed as required by law. Plans, specifications and bid forms are available upon request at the address given above or Bureau of Public Roads, 1440 Columbia Pike, Arlington 4, Virginia. F. W. Cron, Regional Engineer.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Reclamation. Sealed bids (Specifications No. DC-5344) will be received at Farmington, New Mexico, until 10 a.m., Mountain Standard Time, June 21, 1960, for furnishing labor and materials for earthwork and structures Main Canal Station 44+50 to Station 355+00, Hammond Participating Project, Colorado River Storage Project, New Mexico. Location near Farmington, New Mexico. Principal items are 327,700 cu. yds. excavation; 4,294 lin. ft.,—furnishing and laying concrete pressure pipe of various symbols; 785 lin. ft.,—furnishing and laying concrete culvert pipe of various sizes; and other work. Completion time 360 days. For particulars, address Bureau of Reclamation, P. O. Box 360, Salt Lake City 10, Utah; P. O. Box 2028, Farmington, New Mexico; or Building 53, Denver Federal Center, Denver 25, Colorado. Floyd E. Dominy, Commissioner.

Sealed bids for building Modernization, Airconditioning, etc. at the U.S.P.O., New Rochelle, N. Y. Project No. 00823 will be received until 2:00 P.M., EDST June 20, 1960; and then publicly opened. Bidding material may be obtained from the Business Service Center, General Services Administration, 250 Hudson Street, New York 13, N. Y., or from the Custodian of the Building where the work is to be done.

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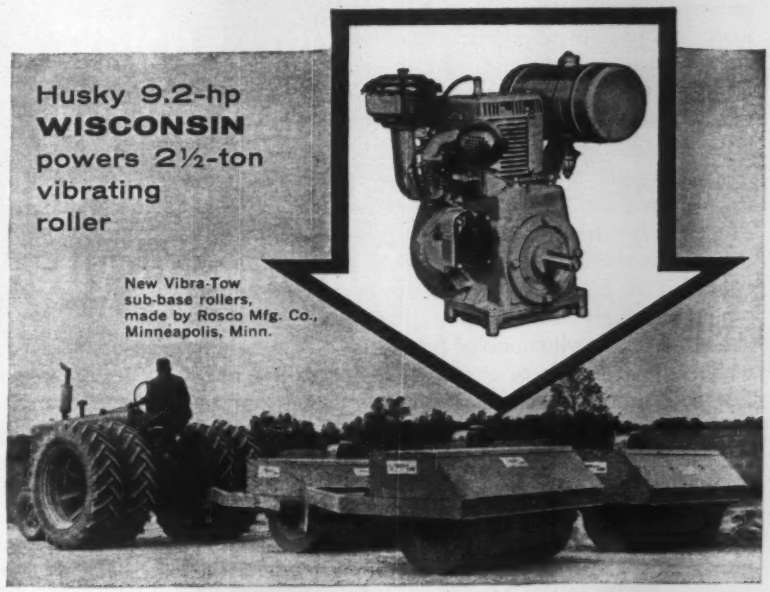

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FOR U. S. BUSINESS AS A WHOLE the first quarter of 1960 did not produce the vigorous expansion that businessmen had expected.

But for the U. S. construction industry there was ample evidence of expansion; things had seldom looked brighter, at least statistically, and the statistics augured well for the year. April was a booming month in which constructors racked up $500 million worth of new work each week as the market for heavy construction brightened in nearly all major categories—highways, bridges, industrial and commercial buildings, pipelines, waterworks (ENR May 5, p. 21).

Not all is sweetness and light, of course. It never can be. The volume of construction is one thing, but profits, sad to say, are another. The competitive situation has been, and remains, fierce. The profitless prosperity that has plagued the industry still plagues even the largest of contractors in it. And the smaller, less stable, continue to die off at a frightening failure rate (see below).

For construction, nevertheless, with a big five months behind it in '60, there is reason for business optimism: Volume is high and will go higher. But the old joke about the fellow who doubled his volume to make money while selling each item at a loss was never less funny. For construction, even the booming figures can turn sour if contractors don't sell their services at a profit.

Advice Against Failure

BUSINESS FAILURES AMONG CONTRACTORS are running nearly 20% ahead of last year, according to the Dun & Bradstreet tally (ENR May 19, p. 181). The reason for such an increase cannot be pinpointed accurately, but the reasons why large numbers of contractors fail each year have been examined many times. They include lack of experience, bad luck, inadequate working capital, poor estimating, too little equipment or too much unpaid-for equipment, slipshod accounting and over-all bad management.

Many of the contractors who fail each year are newcomers who shouldn't have been in the construction business at all. But "good" contractors fail, too, and it is they who can profit from the warnings voiced periodically by authoritative persons.

One of the best sets of "do's and don'ts" to come along recently is the advice offered to the Associated General Contractors convention by Robert L. Gordon, vice president of the Bank of America National Trust & Savings Association, Los Angeles. Among the "do's and don'ts":

Don't take on more work than you can properly finance. If unsecured loans far outrun your "true working capital," your banker will become your senior partner, which doesn't make sense.

Don't saddle yourself with too large time payments on equipment. It may cause you to bid too tight in order to keep cash flowing in to make the payments.

Don't skimp on good accounting. It pays for you and your banker to know the state of your business.

Don't count profits earned on uncompleted jobs as working capital or a part of net worth. Future costs may cause such profits to disappear.

Do forecast cash-flow in and out and profit or loss on each job.

Do ask for and collect receivables when they are due.

Do discuss your financial needs with your banker before bidding a job. If a situation looks sour enough for the banker to stay out of, probably you should, too.

This is the kind of advice that should color every contractor's thinking. It reflects a creed that successful contractors have followed. And if other contractors have failed despite every possible attention to good business practices, that does not depreciate the advice. Following it would reduce the chance of failure, and that is decidedly a plus.

Two Z's Please

IT SEEMS TO BE STICKING—that unfortunate official name for the world's longest span. The great suspension bridge over The Narrows, entrance to the Port of New York is, sadly, consistently being called the Verrazzano-Narrows Bridge.

Repeating our expressed respect for the memory of Giavanni da Verrazzano (ENR Aug. 20, 1959, p. 132), who explored these waters in 1525, we still think his name is a poor prefix for the structure that has been called the Narrows Bridge for all the years that it has been planned and discussed. Moreover, it is quite likely that more people from coast to coast, let alone locally, could tell you where the Narrows Bridge is to be built than could tell you who Giavanni da Verrazzano was.

The great Narrows Bridge will be the giant of them all with its double-deck structure spanning 4,660 ft. Freedom Bridge? Liberty Bridge? Freedom's Gate? Perhaps such labels as these could be justified for the span that will frame the Statue of Liberty and the New York skyline for approaching visitors from abroad. But it's bewildering how the powers-that-name-bridges could use the nation's greatest structure of its kind to commemorate the name of an erstwhile visitor from abroad whom practically nobody remembers.

So far-fetched is use of this little-known explorer's name that establishment of its spelling has taken a ruling by a local historical authority: Two Z's, not the single Z that has appeared on official signs and documents. Two Z's it is: Verrazzano (ver-rah-TSAH-no) it is.

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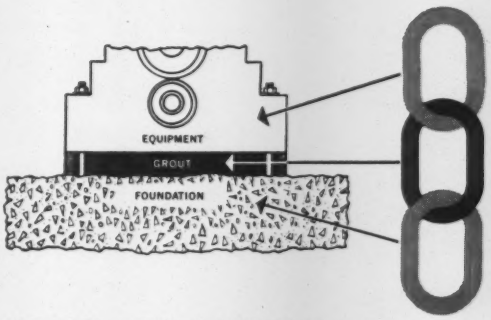

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